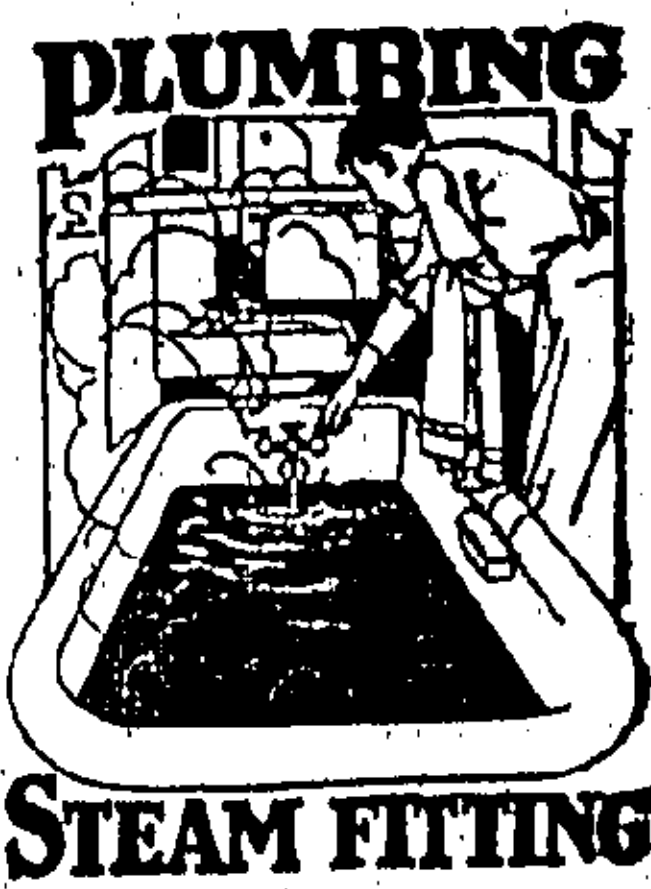




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COUNSEL CONTINUES EXPERIMENT WITH ROPE.

MURDER TRIAL PROGRESS.

The interest which the Castle Peak murder trial is arousing was again demonstrated by the large number of Chinese in Court this morning, when the trial entered on its fifth day. The case for the Crown was completed at this morning's hearing, after which Mr. F. C. Jenkin submitted that there was no case to go before the jury, by reason of the fact that no evidence of killing had been adduced by the prosecution. His Lordship intimated that he did not wish to hear the Crown on the submission made by counsel for the defence, and said that he did not desire to detail to the jury the evidence he considered was present. This means that the defence are called upon to state their case, and this will be done during this afternoon's session, the prisoner being called to give evidence.

JUDGE IS TO HEAR THE DEFENCE.

When the Court resumed this morning, Inspector Lane was recalled by Mr. Jenkin for further cross-examination.

Mr. Jenkin: Before you gave your evidence yesterday morning with regard to the absence of correspondence in the ends of the two ropes, did you make any experiments which would lead you to a position to give an opinion?—No, other than that there had been no experiments, but I compared the ends.

You have no idea of the ages of these pieces of rope?—No. You have no idea what would be the action of the atmosphere upon the rope which has been cut?—No.

You have no idea what the action upon the rope would be when it has been buried in the soil for a matter of six weeks?—No, other than that there would be some change of colour.

Apart from the possibility of a change of colour, you have no idea what other action there might be on the rope?—No. Do you know that this class of rope is made up of numerous short strands worked together?—Yes.

If the rope is cut and the end teased, then a considerable amount of rope will come away?—Some will come away, but I would not say a considerable amount.

It would vary with different pieces of rope?—I should think it would vary to some extent.

More Experiments.

Mr. Jenkin then proceeded to demonstrate the nature of a rope. His Lordship said that he did not think counsel for the defence should demonstrate except as part of his case for the defence. Mr. Jenkin explained that his demonstration was for the purpose of putting certain questions to the witness.

Counsel proceeded with his experiment, cutting one of the many pieces of rope lying on the table, and showing that when it was teased strands could easily be pulled out.

The next witness was a translator from the S.C.A. who was called to give evidence regarding a statement and then questioned concerning Chinese customs. He said it was a Chinese custom for husband and wife to die together. If a woman desired to hang herself, she would dress in her best clothes and comb her hair, in the belief that her spirit would continue to live.

Witness was examined by Mr. Jenkin and asked: This spirit is supposed to return to the house?—Yes, after seven days.

Would it be expected to frequent the same house for some time?—Some people believe that the spirit comes back to the house and remains there for all time.

Does it matter if there is a change of tenancy of house?—If the ancestral tablet is removed to another place, it is believed that the spirit will move also.

This appertains to all who embrace Chinese beliefs. It does not embrace those who are Christians?—I cannot say. I am not a Christian.

Was Rope the Same Piece?

Dr. Dovey was then recalled by counsel for the defence, when Mr. Jenkin reminded witness that Inspector Lane had expressed the opinion that the neck rope and the body rope might at some time have formed one continuous piece.

In reply to questions, Dr. Dovey said it was his first impression that the rope round the neck had been used to drag the body. The mark on the neck was in no way inconsistent with that theory.

Mr. Jenkin: It is impossible to say that this woman met her death by use of the rope around her neck?—That is so.

In reply to other questions, witness said that in strangulation it was necessary for pressure to be exerted for at least two minutes, and possibly four minutes before the pressure became fatal.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy intimated at this stage that the case for the Crown was completed.

Mr. Jenkin intimated that he had a submission to make, and said it was that there was no case which could be allowed to go to the jury. Outlining his reasons, Mr. Jenkin said the indictment was the common one of murder.

The case of murder resolved itself in the main into two parts. In the first place it had to be established that the victim was in fact murdered, and that her life was taken by use of violence upon her.

That fact being established, the second part of the case was to establish that accused was the person guilty of that killing.

Mr. Jenkin quoted from several authorities, including Archbold and Halsbury, and said that it was clear that the Crown must prove that homicide had been committed, and prove satisfactorily that death was not caused by accident, natural causes, or by the unfortunate woman herself.

"When once it has been proved that the victim's life has been taken, the presumption then is that the taking of that life was in fact murder," he continued. "When that is proved and when the identity, or possible identity, or the participation by the accused, has been established, then the onus is thrown upon him to show that he was not responsible for it."

Question of Evidence.

"I shall have to refer to the evidence to submit that there is no evidence at all that in fact this unfortunate woman met her death by killing. The body has been carefully examined by medical witnesses, externally in particular. Her internal organs have been examined by a qualified analyst. And these witnesses state that it is impossible to say that the woman died by killing, because it is possible she died from natural causes."

"Although upon her body there is one manifest sign of violence, that is the rope round the neck, the evidence is that it is impossible to say that the rope attended in any shape or form to the cessation of the woman's life. The net result is this. Is there proof at this?"

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BOMB DISCOVERY IN LONDON.

A WOMAN'S VERY TIMELY INTERVENTION.

SACCO-VANZETTI RESPITE.

Boston, Aug. 11. Judge Sanderson has decided to allow the Bill of Exception in the Sacco-Vanzetti case.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Bomb in Petticoat Lane.

London, Aug. 11. A bomb due to explode within a few minutes of its discovery, was found in an eel shop in Petticoat Lane, near a public telephone box.

The daughter of the proprietor was twice asked by the exchange to clear the line, as something was interfering with it. She looked around, and found a piece of iron. She detected a constant ticking, and called a friend, then rushed to a pail of water and plunged the bomb in it.

The police are of opinion that the bomb was capable of doing serious damage.—*Reuter.*

GENEVA PARLEY EFFECT.

IMPERIAL UNITY AGAIN DEMONSTRATED.

London, August 11. Speaking on the Geneva Conference, in Yorkshire, Mr. W. C. Bridgeman said the cause of peace had in no way suffered, but the conference had certainly done good and had cleared the air.

Britain wished to take a step backward and reduce the size of cruisers and guns. He was of opinion that the American proposals were extravagant in insisting on the maximum figures for cruisers.

"He mentioned that at the end of the conference he gave the Americans, Mr. Hugh Gibson and Admiral Jones, each a British briar pipe, 'six inch calibre of course,' with which they might 'offer upon the altar of peace the incense of Virginia.'"

He added that the possibility of a war with America was never considered. "Britain's problem was the assurance against unforeseen danger."

One good aspect of the conference was the re-demonstrated unity of the Empire.—*Reuter.*

ASTRONOMICAL RESEARCH.

BRITISH SCIENTISTS PHOTOGRAPH THE SUN

London, Aug. 11. Doctor Stevenson, the President of the British Astronomical Association, has gone to Zermatt, in Switzerland, to test whether the Sun's corona can be photographed in ordinary light.

Dr. Stevenson, whose instruments were set up in the Astronomer Royal's camp at Giggleswick during the recent total eclipse of the sun, is supported by Sir Frank Dyson in the belief that the corona was then visible for three minutes after the eclipse. The present tests will extend over a fortnight, during which a series of photographs will be taken from an altitude of 10,000 feet, with a highly complicated camera in which the photographic plate will be shielded by a disc.

The rays will be filtered, lenses being used to prevent diffusion of light.

Scientists attach much importance to the experiments, which, if successful, will greatly advance astronomical knowledge.—*British Wireless.*

NOT OFF YET.

CAPT. COURTNEY MAKING QUITE SURE.

London, August 11. Unsatisfactory weather reports again to-day necessitated a postponement of the departure of Captain Courtney, on his attempt to fly to New York, and back.—*British Wireless.*

C. N. C. COLLAPSE.

PAYING OFF THE OFFICERS.

OUTPORT MEN RETURNING TO HONGKONG.

PROTESTS BY MEN.

Following the complete breakdown of the negotiations in Shanghai between the C.N.C. officers and the Company, further interesting developments were reported this morning.

It is definitely established that officers on certain vessels are being paid off, and in such cases the officers concerned are returning either to Hongkong or other ports which may be convenient to them.

Under Protest.

The *Telegraph* was informed this morning that the officers on the s.s. Chenan, which was lying in Canton, were paid off by the Company yesterday. The officers were paid off under protest on their part, however, the protest being against the amount of wages given. They received salaries up to July 4, that is from the commencement of the strike, but their attitude is that wages should be paid until the time when Articles expire.

With regard to the Chenan officers they have intimated that

ATTEMPT ON ROYALTY.

Shots at Ex-King of Greece.

Vienna, Aug. 11.

According to the *Graz* newspaper, the *Tages Post*, a youth attempted to assassinate King George of Greece at the railway station of Kikinda, on the Rumanian-Yugo Slav frontier, while he was en route to Veldes, in Carinthia, from Budapest.

The youth fired several shots with a revolver, but missed, and was arrested.—*Reuter.*

they are returning to Hongkong immediately. As they have been paid off they are now entitled to seek other positions, but whether they will do so or not at this stage is not known.

The experience of the officers of the Chenan, however, is not an isolated one. Information has been received in Hongkong that the officers on the C.N.C. ships now at Bangkok have also been paid off, and this has also been done under protest.

These officers, too, are returning to Hongkong. Similar action has been taken with regard to some of the C.N.C. vessels now in Hongkong and also in Singapore.

It is known that the officers on the Singapore vessels have been paid off, and while there is no information available as to the number of boats concerned, it is presumed that all have been dealt with similarly.

Hongkong Arrangements. With regard to Hongkong, arrangements are now being made to pay off the officers on board five of the C.N.C. vessels and in fact this has already been done in some cases. Whether this will be done later with the other ships is not known. The paying off is due to the fact that Articles are closed.

It was also learned this morning that the Company is now refunding the 10 per cent. of salary for April, May and June. It may be recalled that the question was to arise every quarter, and it seems that the Company's profits have been such that the payment can be made.

Movements of Vessels. With regard to movements of vessels it is learned that the Shantung is sailing from Shanghai for Hongkong. Other sailings which have been arranged for next week are the Szachuen, which is posted to sail from Hongkong for Swatow on Tuesday, and the Liangchow, which is expected to sail for Shanghai on the same day.

The statement issued yesterday by the officers in Shanghai is not a general statement issued by all branches of the Guild, but merely

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USE OF SYNTHETIC PETROL.

STANDARD OIL AND GERMAN DISCOVERY.

EXPERIMENTS CONTINUE.

Frankfurt, Aug. 11.

Following, the German Dye Trust and Standard Oil agreement of a few days ago, it transpires that the former has discovered a new method of producing petrol from coal.

It is claimed that this new petrol, which will be placed on the market at the beginning of 1928, already has had surprising results at the recent motor race-meeting at Kreibitz, where immense speeds were obtained, the competitors using "synthetic petrol."

The new process will be employed in the United States by both parties to the agreement, while the German Dye Trust will retain the rights of production in Germany.

The new method is somewhat on the lines called the "crack" process, and is chiefly applicable to the working up of crude oil by intense pressure.

Further experiments are being conducted at the dye industry's works at Oppau.—*Reuter.*

LIMITATIONS FOR MOTOR-CARS.

HOME REGULATIONS AS TO SIZE.

London, August 11.

The Ministry of Transport's order governing the size and construction of heavy motor-vehicles, which was issued to-day, exempts from its operation existing vehicles and new ones registered within the next twelve months.

The order prescribes that the general overall length of heavy four-wheel motor-cars shall not exceed 27 feet, 6 inches, and vehicles over 26 feet shall not draw trailers.

More stringent regulations regarding brake equipment and permissible weights for public vehicles are imposed.

Limitations are modified in the case of rigid-frame, six-wheel vehicles of approved construction, for which an overall length of 30 feet is fixed as a maximum.—*British Wireless.*

HOME AMATEUR TO BROADCAST.

CHANGE FOR LOCAL LISTENERS ON SHORT WAVE.

London, August 11.

The Post Office authorities have given permission to Mr. Gerald Marcuse, a prominent amateur wireless enthusiast, to broadcast a speech and music for two hours on three days each week, from September 1, from his own studio.

Mr. Marcuse has had much success in communicating on short wave-lengths with distant Dominions and Colonies, and with South America, and the purpose of these transmissions is to provide wireless programmes for these distant listeners.

A wave-length of 33 metres, with an alternative of 23 metres, will be used.—*British Wireless.*

GERMANY'S GREAT ANNIVERSARY.

CELEBRATED ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

Berlin, Aug. 11.

The eighth anniversary of the Republican constitution was celebrated all over Germany.

President Von Hindenburg was ovated on his entering the Reichstag, which was crowded for the occasion of the Government's official celebration.

Von Kardorff, the leader of the People's Party, in an oration eulogised Herr Ebert and Von Hindenburg as the saviours of Germany from chaos.—*Reuter.*

NORTH'S STEADY ADVANCE.

CLAIMS TO VICTORY ARE CONFIRMED.

MANY WOUNDED STILL ARRIVING IN NANKING.

GAINS ARE CONSOLIDATED.

There is evidence that the Northerners are making progress towards Nanking in their counter-drive against the armies of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and there are confirmatory reports of the capture of Pengpu, and the severe defeat of Southern troops. Large numbers of wounded are arriving at Nanking from the rail-head at Fukow.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin, indeed, has advised his subordinates not to be too precipitate in pressing after the retreating foe, but to consolidate their present gains before proceeding further.

Several Northern Generals are participating in the push southwards. The clean-up of "Red" elements in the Hankow area is probably reflected in a report that, owing to the hostility of the military at present in power there, the son of Mr. Eugene Chen has requested safe passage down-river by a British steamer or warship.

BRITISH SANCTUARY IS SOUGHT.

Peking, August 11. General Feng Yu-hsiang's thrust the Hankow Army Political Department on the Ankuochun flank, in Shan- tung appears to be forcing the Nanchang, and will be sentenced to death.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

CHANG'S CAUTION.

Hasten Slowly.

Shanghai, August 11. Marshal Chang Tso-lin has wired to Marshals Chang Tsung-chang and Sun Chuan-fang ordering them not to press too close on the Nationalists. The Peking dictator has ordered that the Shantung armies should first concentrate in Pengpu, and then slowly advance on Kiangsu.

Shot for Bribery.

Mr. Yun Chi-hang, who was charged with accepting bribes for importing Japanese goods, was ordered to be shot by the Nanking Government.

The Nanking Government has ordered the abolition of the Sunyatsen University in Moscow, and instructed the authorities in the different provinces to stop sending students to the University.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

NORTHERN SUCCESS.

Wounded Arrive at Nanking.

Nanking, Aug. 11. There has been a Northern success in the fighting up north, and the Northerners are now advancing from Pengpu from the railway, which is reported seriously damaged in the neighbourhood of Fengyang.

Wounded Nationalist soldiers have been brought here from Fukow, across the river, and there has been considerable troop movement by railway towards Chinkiang.—*Naval Wireless.*

THE CIVIL WAR.

Close to Kwangtung.

Shanghai, Aug. 11. General Chang Fat-kwai is closely chasing the armies of August 8th. for Kuling. His son, Mr. Percy Chen, has been requesting a passage down river either on a British steamer or a British warship, owing to the hostile and high-handed action of the military authorities.

Clean Up Of Reds.

The Kuomintang Headquarters and the General Labour Union in Kiangsu have been closed. Forty Communists were arrested, and some of them will be ordered to be shot.

BRITISH HELP REQUESTED.

A Safe Passage Wanted.

Hankow, Aug. 11. Mr. Eugene Chen left here on August 8th. for Kuling. His son, Mr. Percy Chen, has been requesting a passage down river either on a British steamer or a British warship, owing to the hostile and high-handed action of the military authorities.

There is a threat that the Walchowpu (the Hankow Foreign Ministry) will resign, and if this takes place it will include the Director of the Sino-British district (ex-British Concession).—*Naval Wireless.*

PRES. COSGRAVE HURT.

MOTORING ACCIDENT NEAR DUBLIN.

London, Aug. 11.

The President of the Executive Council of the Irish Free State, Mr. Cosgrave, has been slightly injured in a collision, near Dublin, between his motor-car and a motor lorry.

BOXING AT NEW YORK.

WIN FOR JACK DELANEY.

New York, Aug. 10.

In a bout over fifteen rounds, Jack Delaney beat Paulino Uzcudun.—*Reuter's American Service.*

It was found necessary to stitch a wound over his eye.—*British Wireless.*

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SACCO-VANZETTI.

REMOVED FROM DEATH HOUSE.

Boston, Aug. 11. Except Vanzetti, who remarked he was "pleased," the prisoners showed no emotion when informed of the respite. Early to-morrow, they will be removed from the death house to another section of the prison, where they will remain until the end of the respite period.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Madeiros Included.

Boston, Aug. 11. The respite has been extended also to Madeiros, the occupant of the third death cell who was due to be executed with Sacco and Vanzetti. Madeiros was a witness in the Sacco-Vanzetti case and declared that they were innocent. He stated that he knew the gangsters who carried out the murder.—*Reuter's American Service.*

A Portuguese.

Boston, Aug. 11. Celestino Madeiros, who has sprung into international fame as a Portuguese, extraction. He was convicted of being a member of a band of four who attempted to rob the Wrentham National Bank on November 1, 1924, firing the shot from which the cashier died. Pending his trial, Madeiros attempted to escape from Dedham gaol by sawing the bars of the cell and assaulting the guard.

After protracted proceedings, including a successful appeal, Madeiros was sentenced to death on June 30, 1926. He then made a statement that the Morelli gang with which he was associated was responsible for the South Braintree murders for which Sacco and Vanzetti were convicted. Madeiros was respite while his assertion was being investigated by Governor Fuller and his Advisory Committee.

Madeiros is most unconcerned and is eating heartily while awaiting execution.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Governor Explains.

Charlestown, Aug. 11. The formal announcement of the respite was made by Governor Fuller at midnight in Boston. He stated that the "courts had no power to grant respite, and to afford them the opportunity to complete their consideration of the various motions and petitions filed by counsel I recommended the Executive Council that the sentences against Sacco, Vanzetti and Madeiros be respite till midnight on the 22nd. The Council unanimously adopted the recommendation."

The Executive Council discussed the case from noon till midnight and it is believed that several were strongly opposed to the respite.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Buenos Aires, Aug. 11.

Thousands of people who were anxiously waiting, joyfully received the news of the reprieve and cheered wildly.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Labour Claims Victory.

New York, Aug. 11. Immediately on learning of the respite the Emergency Committee issued a statement declaring that "organised labour had stayed the hand of the executioner, forcing the respite from the Governor. The battle was not over and the fight must be continued most determinedly. The temporary victory is the result of hundreds of strikes, and mass demonstrations during past week. This is a warning to the American Federation of Labour and bureaucracy that militant labour will fight its own battles in future.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Precautions Maintained.

New York, Aug. 11. It is announced at police headquarters that despite the Sacco-Vanzetti reprieve the 14,000 police guarding transportation lines, public buildings, residences and public citizens will be kept on duty until the tension is de-

CASTLE PEAK MURDER.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON'S HEARING.

In the Castle Peak murder trial yesterday afternoon "witnesses" were called who spoke of seeing the woman shortly before the date of the alleged murder, April 7, when they said she seemed quite normal, one saying she was "quite happy."

A witness, replying to Mr. Jenkin, said that Sam Koo had sometimes complained to her that her husband paid too much attention to the concubine. She did not know Tsol Hing, (Tsol Hing is the name on a pawn ticket which the prisoner produced, saying that he had found it in the house and he believed that Sam Koo had run away with the man).

Another witness, answering Mr. Jenkin, said he had heard of an odd job earth cooler named Tsol Hing but he did not know the man and had not seen him. He did not tell the prisoner that he knew Sam Koo had given a gold ring to Tsol Hing.

A Chinese Christian preacher, from San Hui village, Castle Peak, said he knew both the prisoner and his wife (deceased). The woman was one of his congregation and he last saw her on April 6. Witness said he saw the prisoner on April 10 when he (prisoner) said he believed his wife had gone to Hongkong.

In reply to Mr. Jenkin witness said he was 64 of age and had only one wife.

Unhappy Wives.

Mr. Jenkin: As you are a Christian I take it that, in your opinion, the system at present in vogue in China, that of taking more than one wife is a bad one, for reasons which I will give you?—Yes.

His Lordship interposed with a query as to whether Mr. Jenkin should give the reasons or the witness.

Mr. Jenkin replied he had no material reason which he would put forward. His Lordship agreed that a material reason could be given.

Mr. Jenkin: That system leads to frequent trouble in married life?—Yes.

The first wife is frequently displaced in the affections of her husband by his taking a concubine?—Yes.

That leads to unhappiness with the first wife?—Yes.

Your experience is that many such *kit fat* wives seek release from that unhappiness by taking their lives?—Yes, speaking generally, I have heard of such cases. Leaving out marriage altogether, is it not, among Chinese people, one manner of revenge to commit suicide, curious as it may seem?—Perhaps, through—in my limited knowledge, I have never heard of such.

Christian Teaching.

Replying to Mr. Fitzroy, witness said he presumed the woman was a Christian, and his (witness's) teaching would be that it was wrong to take one's own life.

I suppose you have also heard of concubines committing suicide under conditions of unhappiness?—Non-Christian Chinese might have committed such acts.

It is just as likely to occur with a concubine as a *kit fat* wife?—I have heard of some non-Christians committing suicide by jumping into the harbour.

You teach your congregation that it is wrong either to commit murder or suicide?—Yes.

In reply to His Lordship witness said after the prisoner took his concubine, he very seldom lived at Castle Peak, but his wife lived there.

The case was adjourned until to-day.

Finally relieved.—*Reuter's American Service.*

In Switzerland.

Bale, Aug. 11. Fifteen were injured, one gravely, in a Sacco-Vanzetti bomb outrage. A one hour's protest strike was observed during the day.—*Reuter's American Service.*

GENEVA DELEGATE.

MR. CHAO-HSIN CHU RETURNS TO CANTON.

Mr. Chao-hsin Chu, China's chief delegate at Geneva to the League of Nations, has returned to Canton. Mr. Chu has been for several years in America and was later Charge d' Affaires for five years at London. Until recently he was Chinese Minister at Rome.

Mr. Chu returned on the Japanese steamer Tatori Maru, and when at Singapore was interviewed by a representative of the *Malaya Tribune*.

"I am no more a diplomat; I am just an ordinary individual working for the salvation of China," he said. "I and my people are disappointed with the League of Nations. The League has failed to fulfil the promise made to me and my country in 1925."

Asked what part China had in the League, Mr. Chu said she had practically none. He simply attended the convention and appealed to the other powers for sympathy for China. He asked that China be put on an equal basis and urged the necessity for the abolition of the unequal treaties. He asked the great nations for fair play and justice towards China.

In 1925 when he made his appeal, Mr. Chu said, the delegates representing the various nations passed a resolution that his appeal would be considered and that China would be put on an equal footing. For two years nothing had been done and China was no better off than before. He was sorely disappointed as were his people and this was the main reason why he was going back to China.

"Nothing can be done until a stable Government is established in China," continued Mr. Chu. "I am going back to Canton as an ordinary man and will work with my people towards that end. I will support the Nanking Government; I have finished with Peking. When the goal is reached China will be in a position to participate in international affairs honourably and her word will then carry weight. I am glad I am going back home for I will meet my aged mother whom I have not seen for years."

His Farewell Address.

Mr. Chu referred to his farewell address made on July 11 to the League which was as follows:

"On the eve of my departure from the seat of the League of Nations to which I have been a representative of the Republic of China for five years, I cannot refrain from expressing my good wishes for the League and my deep impression of the League's activities towards world peace."

"I promise to be a continual keen supporter of the League. I provided that it will fully recognize China's privileges to which she is entitled in view of her geographical position and economic and political importance. First of all, China's representation on the Council should not be in any way interrupted. The reason is obvious, and I have often emphasized this point is my public speeches."

"Secondly, the League should urge the Powers with whom China has unequal treaties in the direction of liberating her from the foreign yoke. At the 5th Assembly I put forward a proposition based upon the letter and spirit of Article 19 of the Convention of the League of Nations, that the treaty relations between China and the foreign Powers should be reconsidered and thoroughly revised on account of their inapplicability to modern times. A recommendation was unanimously passed by that Assembly to this effect. Now two years have elapsed, and the Chinese people have been rather disappointed that China's old treaties still remain technically unaltered. Of course, we would not be so unreasonable as to blame the

THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 239, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O.

Administrative Commandant.

Hongkong, Friday, 12th August, 1927.

1. Mounted Infantry Company. Parade at Stables at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 16th August, 1927. Dress: Muff.

2. Recruits.—During the month of August any member of the Corps wishing to introduce a recruit for enrolment should report at Corps Headquarters between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Monday evenings.

3. Exemption.—No. 922 Pte. F. X. Delgado, No. 9, Platoon is granted 4½ months' exemption from Military Duties, from 15.8.27 to 31.12.27.

4. Resignation.—No. 559 Sergt. F. Breit, Engineer Company is permitted to resign from the Corps, as from 21.7.27 having completed three years' service in the Corps.

R. A. WOLFE-MURRAY, MAJOR, ADJUTANT, H. K. V. D. CORPS.

League for this. The League is still in its infancy. However, I cannot but admire its fulfilment in many instances of its scope of activities. What we are expecting from the League is that it will do its best in giving timely inspirations to the Powers concerned in respect of international justice. From my personal observations, I have great confidence in the League's impartiality and usefulness.

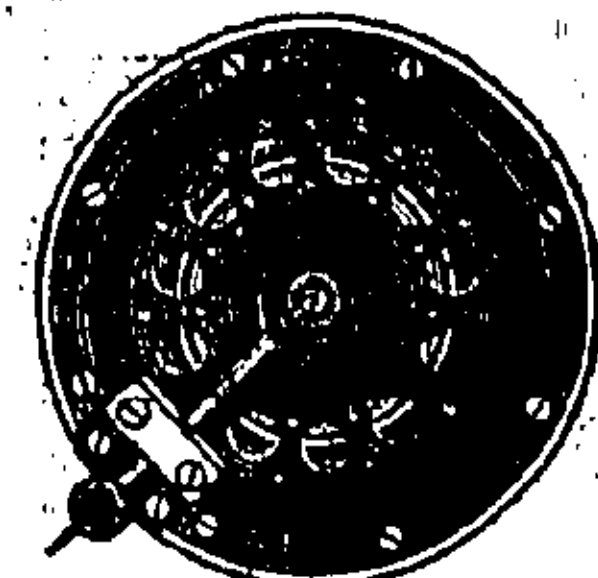
"I am leaving the League with a good spirit, and I shall continue to advocate on my return to China, the modification of international conditions in my country which has long been suffering under the unequal treaties, in order to avoid further incidents with foreigners thereby endangering not only the peace of the Far East, but that of the world as well. I sincerely hope that the League will live up to its obligations in the case of China by virtue of Article 19 of its Covenant."

"My experience in foreign affairs might be more serviceable for the time being at home than abroad. I now part from the League not because of any dissatisfaction, but because of my sincere desire to render my humble services on the spot."

"Now I am voluntarily giving up two important posts in Europe, from which you will understand that I am no office seeker. Believe me, I will devote my work solely for one principle, namely, to increase our national prestige and eliminate international intervention. I hope my intention will not be misinterpreted. Some people have mistaken the Chinese patriotic movements as anti-foreign. Let me make it clear that Chinese patriotism involves no anti-foreignism, but simply a demonstration against inequalities. It is unjust of the Foreign Powers' concern to fetter us by still insisting upon those treaties which were entered into under compulsion by our ignorant officials of the old regime. We are confident that our cause is right in fighting for tariff autonomy and opposing extra-territoriality unfairly enjoyed by the foreigners in China."

"The International Press in Geneva is no doubt aware of the Chinese Nationalist Government's policy recently adopted in respect of further increasing the tariff for the purpose of balancing its budget. Such policy commands my hearty support not only for reorganization of national finance, but also for restoration of sovereignty. My support is justified in that I know it is backed by public opinion at home. May the League of Nations prosper and grow! Fare thee well."

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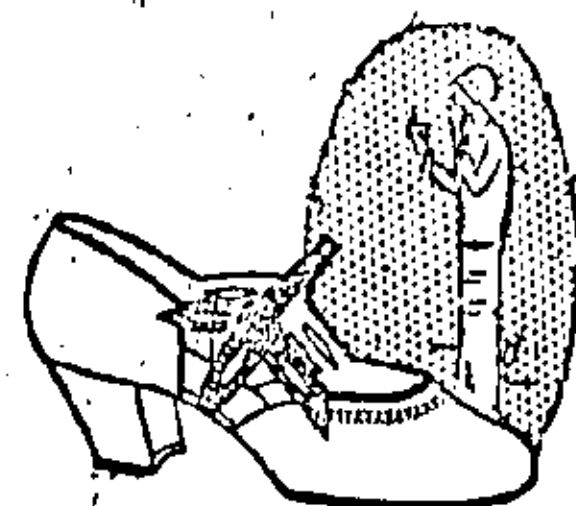
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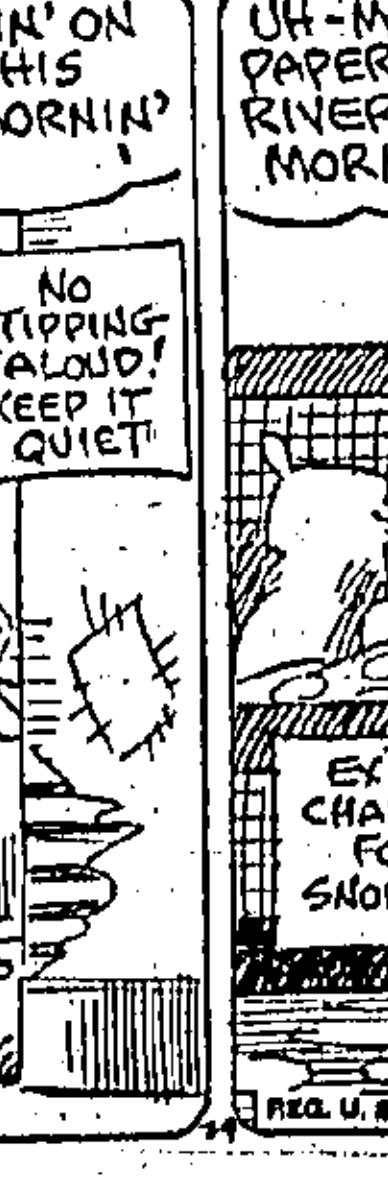
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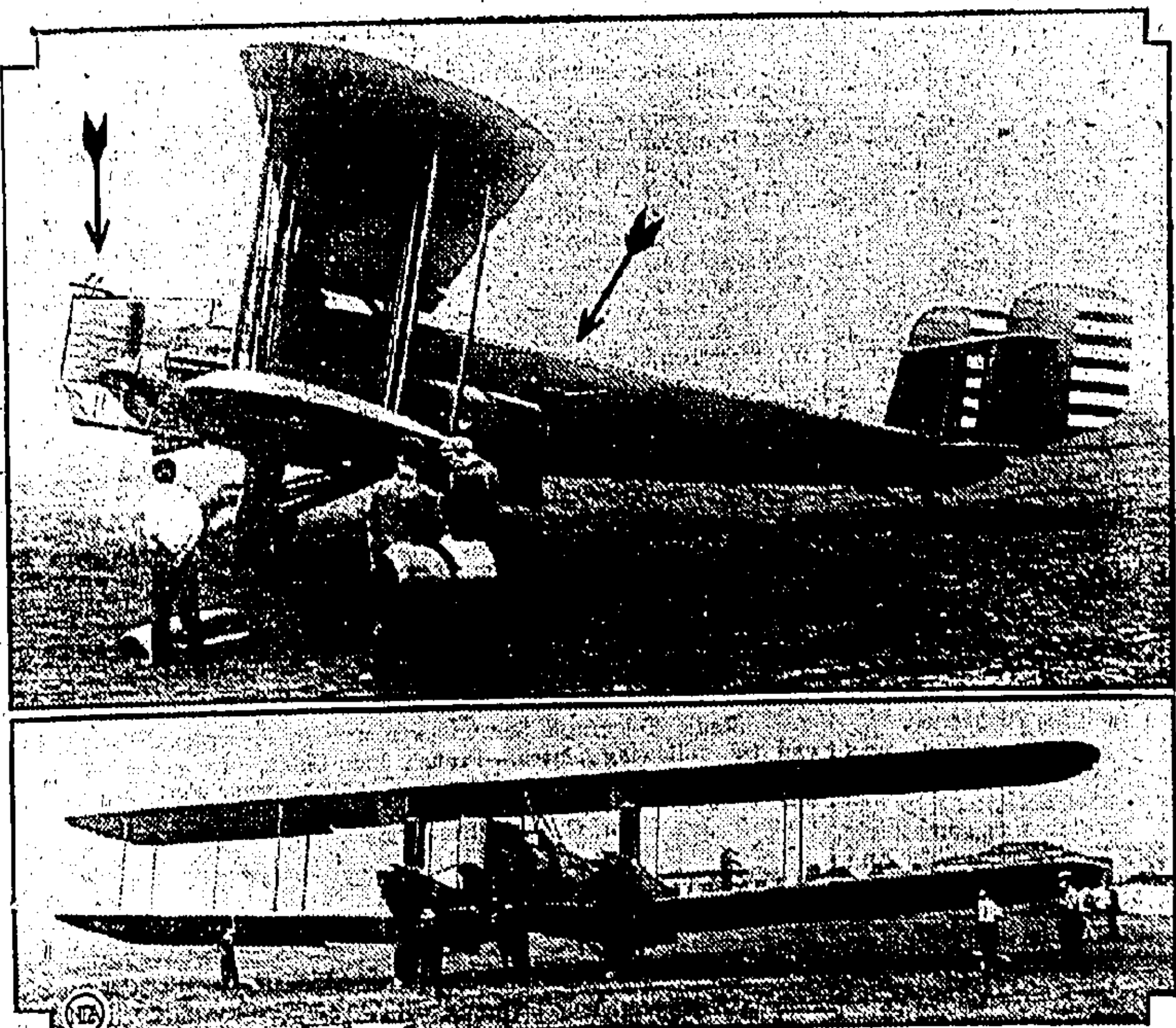


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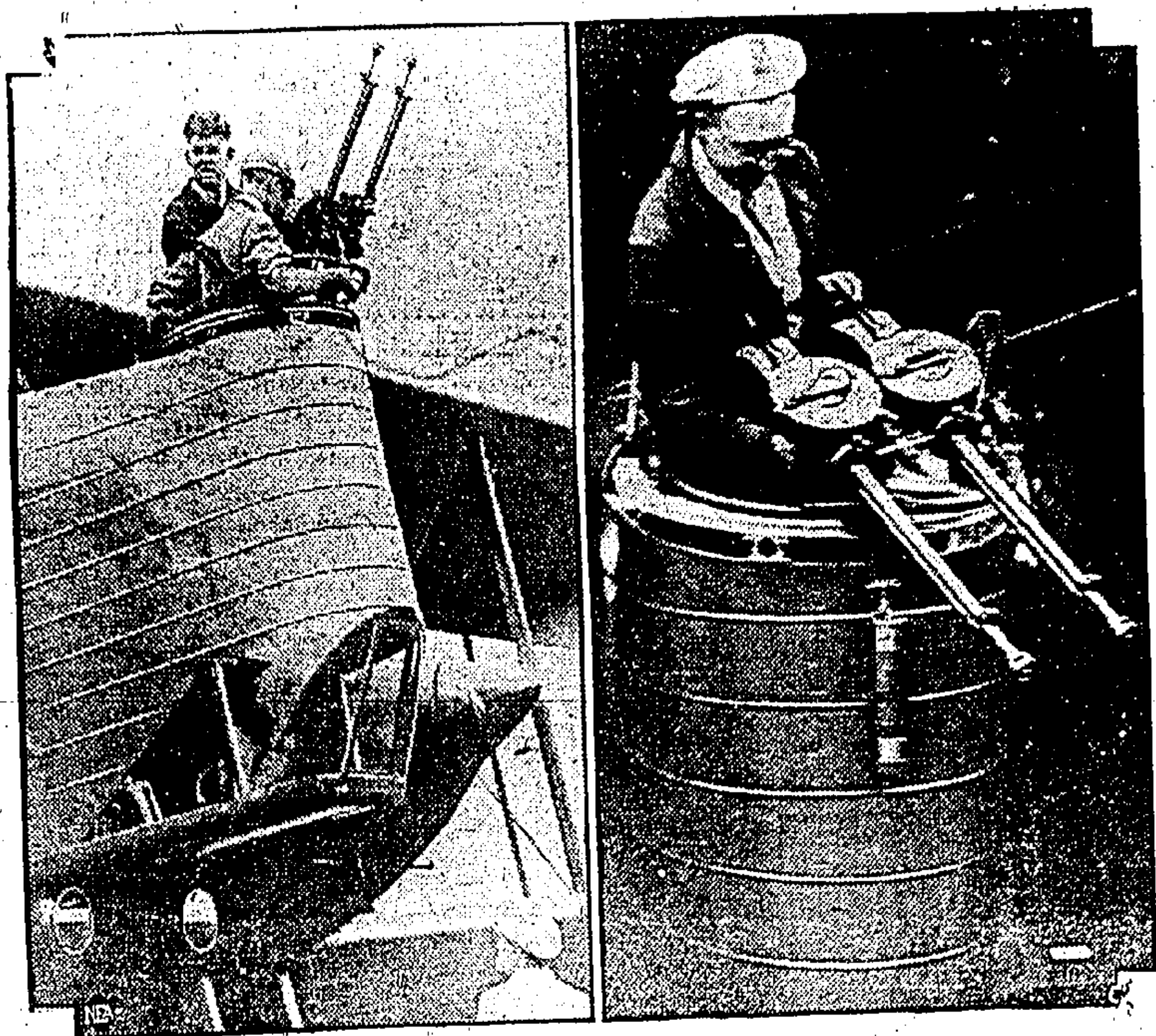


About Time!

By Small



A SUPER PLANE.—The "Condor," Uncle Sam's first dreadnaught of the skies, here photographed upon its initial test flight by Army pilots at Mitchel Field, Long Island. Armed with six machine guns (arrows) and designed to carry two tons of high explosive bombs and a crew of five, it is by far the most formidable war aeroplane yet constructed. It weighs 16,350 pounds fully loaded, and is driven by two 600 horse-power motors which give it an 800-mile cruising radius at 100-miles an hour. A good idea of its 90-foot wingspread and of its 47-foot length is afforded by these two views.



THE ARMAMENT.—Close-up views of the effectively mounted machine guns of "The Condor," the U. S. Army's aerial battleship. At the left are the twin rifles in the nose of the ship, elevated to demonstrate their comprehensive range. They can be fired at as great an angle downward or to right or left. In the rear of each outboard motor housing are turrets bristling with similar twin guns, as shown at right. All six of them fire several hundred shots a minute. Thus above and below, the path and wake of the flying man-of-war is adequately protected against faster hostile planes which might attack it as it drones over enemy terrain sowing death with its two-ton cargo of bombs.



MARSHAL FOCH AT OXFORD.—A number of distinguished soldiers, including Marshal Foch, were among the recipients of honorary degrees at Oxford. Our photograph shows Marshal Foch, Field-Marshal Lord Allenby, General Lord Horne, and Sir Robert Borden, Prime Minister of Canada from 1911 to 1920, in the procession to the Sheldonian Theatre. (Times copyright).



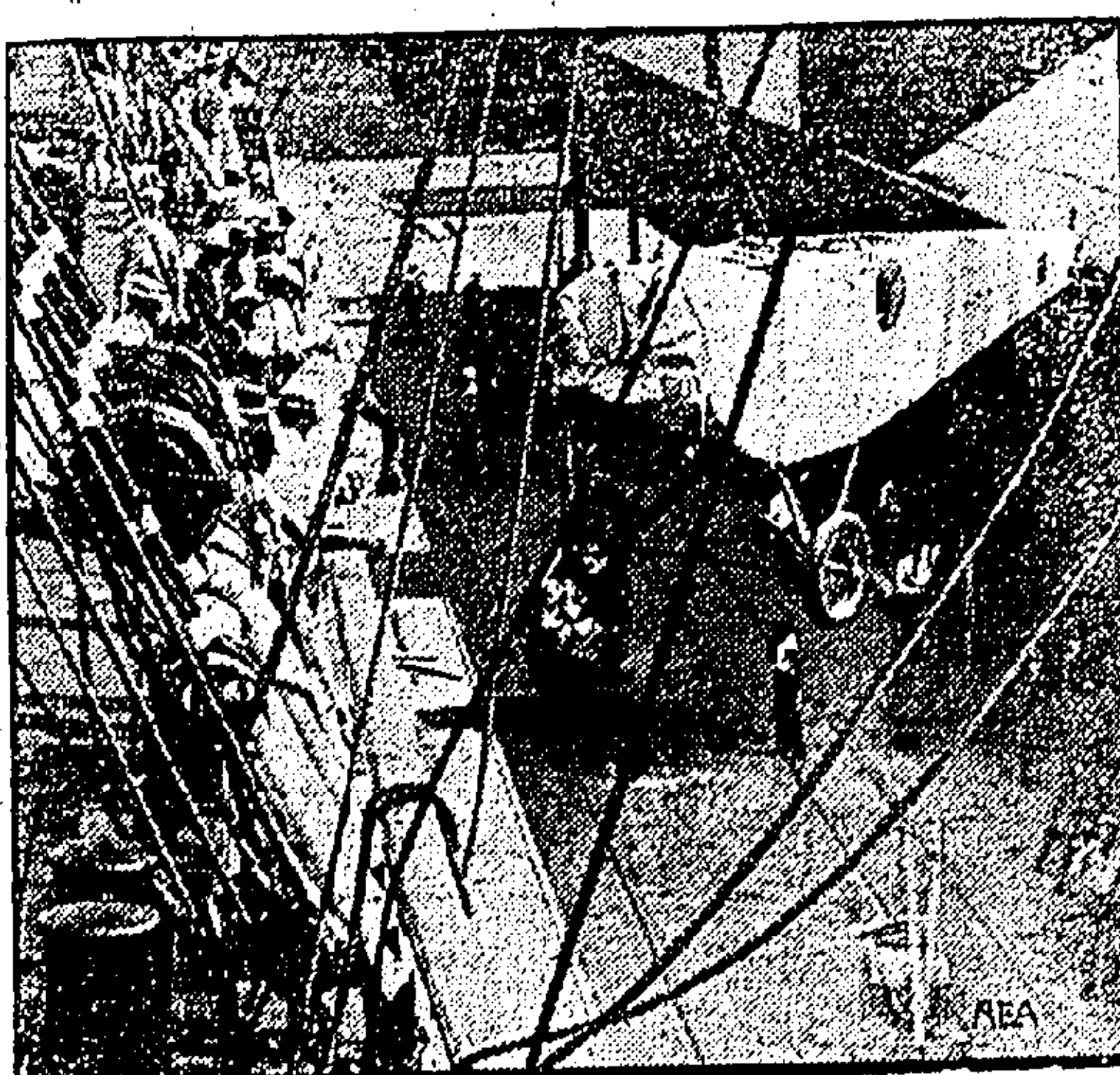
UNDER-WATER FIGHT.—After a battle under the sea, Captain Ole Eliassen, armed with only a small knife, conquered this giant devilfish. The octopus, which measured 18 feet from the tip of one tentacle to another, attacked Eliassen as he was exploring the partly submerged hulk of a wreck at Balboa, California, near Los Angeles. The battle lasted 20 minutes.



CHINESE TO TRY.—Captain Theodore K. Ching is Chinese entrant for air honours. Negotiations are under way to build a plane in Long Beach, California, for the Chinese army flyer, who it is said will compete in the Frisco-to-Hawaii flight.



BIRD OF PARADISE BOB.—Mr. Jack Flynn, barber on the liner President Pierce, which acted as relay for radio communication with Maitland and Hegenberger on their flight to Hawaii, has celebrated the event by inauguration of the "Bird of Paradise" bob. It is a wind-blown effect, and is becoming popular on the coast. Miss Peggy Ferris, California college girl, is shown being bobbed by the originator.



FOR PACIFIC HOP.—Much like Lindbergh's famous Spirit of St. Louis, the Ryan monoplane in which Richard E. Grace planned to fly from the Hawaiian Islands to California, is shown in this photograph being unloaded from a liner at Honolulu. Grace, former movie "stunt" flyer, shipped his plane from California to Hawaii by steamer.



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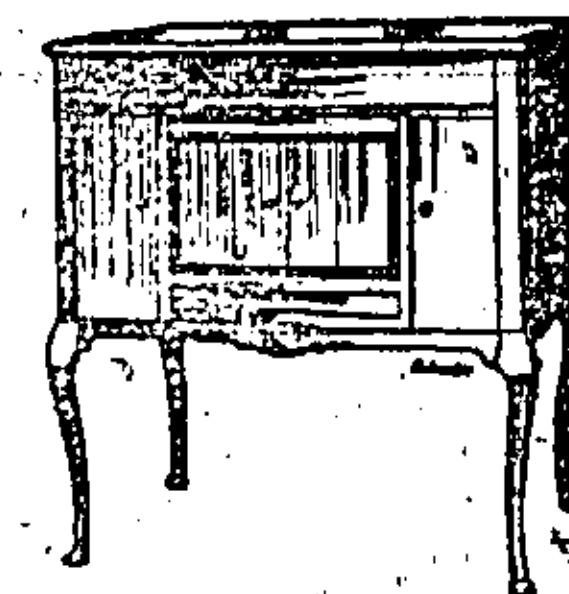
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THE CLERGY'S POVERTY.

VICARS' WIVES AS "UNPAID CURATES."

"I do not find this cry of poverty of the clergy all over the world," said the Bishop of London, Dr. Winnington Ingram, at a recent session of the National Assembly of the Church of England at Church House, Westminster, S.W. At Thursday's session it was announced that the Ecclesiastical Commissioners propose to increase livings of £200 a year to £300, and also to make other increases, at a total cost of about £70,000 a year.

He expressed the sympathy of the bishops with a motion to appoint a committee to review the financial burden imposed on the clergy by recent legislation.

Mrs. Moore (Lincoln), speaking on behalf of the wives of country parsons, said they were too often "unpaid curates" who also did all the work of the house—the inconvenient labour-devouring rectory house—because they could not afford servants.

The Bishop of Ely, Dr. White-Thomson, said that he knew by experience the difficulties of the clergy, having in one appointment had to wait six and a half months for his first cheque, which, when it arrived, proved to be one for £26—rebate on income tax which, as far as he knew, he had never paid. (Laughter.)

The resolution to appoint a commission to review financial burdens was carried.

DELYSIA'S ALL-NIGHT PARTY.

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Neither the fact that she was refused a licence to sell drinks nor that it rained all day could prevent Mile. Alice Delysia from giving an out-of-doors supper cabaret at her house at Hampstead lasting till the early hours of the morning (says the *Daily Mail*).

Against the weather a big marquee was spread over the lawn, and as drinks could not be sold they were given away.

Friends came nobly to her aid. Fourteen cases of champagne, 12 bottles of brandy, red and white wine, and liquors were given to her in the good cause of the French Convalescent Home, Brighton, or behalf of which this "Fete of France" was held.

Others rallied round with food. Mile. Delysia's dairymaid gave 500 new-laid eggs, her grocer 400 rashers of bacon, her butcher a large quantity of lamb, an hotel provided 50 roast chickens, and the proprietor of a well-known London restaurant sent his chef and his staff of waiters to help with her 300 visitors.

Soon after midnight a French supper was served, and at four o'clock yesterday morning the proceedings became Anglicised by means of eggs and bacon.

There was a cabaret entertainment, there was dancing, but the full moon which was "guaranteed" on the tickets missed its entrance.

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Sun.	14	9.34	8.1	3.7	Mon.	15	10.24	7.9	3.65
Mon.	15	10.24	7.9	3.65	Tue.	16	11.16	7.5	3.42
Tue.	16	11.16	7.5	3.42	Wed.	17	12.06	6.1	3.1
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IT'S QUALITY THAT COUNTS.

MYSTERY RUSSIAN WOMAN.

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Having been kept in custody at Holloway Jail for a week, "a woman of mystery," Mrs. Dorothea Maritch (33), wife of an ex-officer of the Russian Naval Reserve, appeared at the London Sessions to receive sentence for a series of frauds.

She had been convicted of having obtained within a period of three months articles of jewellery worth £1,300 from West End establishments by pretending that a boarding house at Herne Bay was her property.

Detective-Sergeant John Sands told an extraordinary story about the woman, who is above average height and weighs 26 stones. "While her proper name was believed to be Amour, she declined to give any information as to her earlier life, 'which was something of a mystery.' Of plausible and convincing manner, she first came under the notice of the police in 1922 and since then, according to the officer, she has lived by her wits.

According to her husband, they met in 1921, when he was serving in the Russian Navy, and they were married on a ship in the Royal Albert Docks by a priest of the Orthodox Church of Russia. Heavily in Debt.

Mrs. Maritch, remarked Sergeant Sands, was heavily in debt to tradesmen in London, Brighton, and Herne Bay, and he thought she had been acting as a sort of tout for moneylenders.

The detective added that about November, 1925 the woman became acquainted with a woman, who is now in the care of friends, having been certified in lunacy.

It is alleged, continued Sergeant Sands, that since the date mentioned, that woman's estate has been depleted to the extent of £20,000 through the machinations of Mrs. Maritch, assisted by a lady of title with the prefix honourable, two solicitors, and a man who is stated to have been deported from South Africa, following a conviction for forgery.

About £1000 worth of the jewellery obtained by the prisoner was reported missing, and Mr. H. W. Wilberforce, in postponing sentence, severely admonished her to give information concerning it—otherwise he would pass a substantial sentence.

"Not to be trifled With." Detective-Sergeant Sands now explained that he had interviewed Mrs. Maritch in prison. While she was very talkative about matters unconnected with the restoration of the property, she declined to furnish any information concerning it except on the condition that she was bound over.

Witness informed her, of course, that he was not empowered to bargain with her. Her reply then was that to recover the jewellery would only implicate another person who had disposed of it.

Acting on a communication from their legal representatives, witnesses had traced to a reputable firm of West End pawnbrokers, diamond earrings and rings, some of which had been sold outright. Altogether, over half of the missing articles had been accounted for, but there was still nearly £500 worth unaccounted for.

Mr. G. B. McClure, who prosecuted, also pointed out that the woman had attempted to defraud other jewellers, in one instance endeavouring to secure possession of gems valued at £1000.

"If you wish to give any information you may do so now," remarked his Lordship to the prisoner.

The sun shining on a glass bottle in a chemist's shop at Wellington set fire to some celluloid material, the bottle acting as a lens. Flames spread rapidly but were put out in time.



Girls who make their own way seldom have it.

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Letters and postcards only for the United Kingdom and Europe will be forwarded via Siberia if so superadded.

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Parcels for places in Szechwan will now be accepted for transmission at senders' risk. It is to be noted that parcels are liable to delay, and that the service may be suspended again at any time.

RADIO NOTICES.

It is notified for information that a new shortwave commercial wireless service was opened on July 23rd between Hongkong and the Philippines for the exchange of ordinary, deferred and press telegrams. Rates to Manila 30 cents per word ordinary, 15 cents per word deferred and press.

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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Tenyo Maru	August 14.
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Australia and Manila	Tango Maru	August 16.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Rawalpindi	August 19.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	August 21.
Manila	Empress of Russia	August 22.
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Japan	Mishima Maru	August 23.
Japan and Shanghai	Haruna Maru	August 26.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, C. and S. America and *Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Taiyo Maru	Fri., Aug. 12, Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due San Francisco 5th Sept.) Philoctetes Fri., Aug. 12, 5 p.m.
Shanghai Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via Victoria B.C.	Protesilaus	Parcels 12th 5 p.m. Sat., Aug. 13, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Victoria, B. C. 6th Sept.)
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kitano Maru	Sat., Aug. 13, K. P. O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 3 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 12th September.)
*Swatow *Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., Aug. 14, 9 a.m.
*Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Sun., Aug. 14, 9 a.m.
Bangkok	Chungweo	Sun., Aug. 14, 9 a.m.
Hoihow and Pakhoi	Yan On	Sun., Aug. 14, 9 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Mon., Aug. 15, 2.30 p.m.
*Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Changte	Mon., Aug. 15, Parcels noon. Registrations 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due Thursday Island 27th August.)
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Jackson	Mon., Aug. 15, Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due San Francisco 8th September.) Pres. Adams Mon., Aug. 15, 5 p.m. Talkwa Maru Tues., Aug. 16, 8.30 a.m.
Manila	Amazona	Tues., Aug. 16, K.P.O. Registration 9 a.m. Letters 9 a.m. G.P.O. Reg. 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. (Due Marseilles 17th September.)
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Szechuen	Tues., Aug. 16, 10 a.m.
Salgorn, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles	Pres. Taft	Tues., Aug. 16, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Lianchow	Tues., Aug. 16, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Kwai Sang	Wed., Aug. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Straits	Suiyang	Wed., Aug. 17, 5 p.m.
Japan	Van Overstraten	Thurs., Aug. 18, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Tango Maru	Fri., Aug. 19, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles.	Shantung	Fri., Aug. 19, 5 p.m.
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Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A., *Canada, *C. and *S. America and *Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Ginyo Maru	Sat., Aug. 20, 10.30 a.m.
	Tenyo Maru	Mon., Aug. 22, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due San Francisco 18th September.)

*Correspondence bearing vessels' names only.

IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTION.

CHANGES IN GERMANY.

The iron and steel industry is one of those which have been most affected by the post-war economic changes. In the first place, the basis of the key industry was completely shifted by the Treaty of Versailles. Owing to that treaty, Germany lost 80% of her ore production, 43.5% of her raw-iron, 36% of her ingot steel and 32% of her rolling-mill production. The most difficult problem was how to replace the excessive loss of raw material, since the curtailment of the home basis rendered the iron and steel industry absolutely dependent upon foreign countries for its supplies of ore. Whereas, at the close of the war, German iron-ore aggregated more than 2,300 million tons, the cession of the Lorraine-Luxembourg ore-fields is estimated to have reduced Germany's resources of ore to 470 million tons of poor quality, while France is now reckoned to have at her command 10,000 million tons. As a consequence, Germany, to the severe detriment of her balance of trade, is obliged to import 11 million tons annually from abroad. From the few high-grade ore mines left to Germany only 2 million tons of raw iron are obtainable annually, whereas, in 1913, 9.5 million tons were smelted. Two thirds of the iron-ore now imported come from Sweden, and the remainder largely from Spain. Germany's dependence upon foreign countries for her ore supplies shows how extremely senseless it is to talk of German military schemes of armament, since any arrest of the exports to Germany would put a stop to the manufacture of war material; whereas France, as already stated, has enormous deposits of ore at her disposal.

A further great alteration in the conditions of the iron and steel industry is the substantial increase in the use of scrap-iron in the manufacture of steel. In 1913, only 30% was employed; in 1925 the total was 47%. This increased use of scrap is to be explained mainly on technical grounds, but it is also in part due to the necessity for avoiding the expensive imported foreign ore. As a result of the enlargement of the works left to Germany as now delimited, the productivity of her iron and steel industry is doubtless about equal to what it was prior to the war. Yet, in consequence of various factors, the actual output has considerably declined that of 1913. In 1926, 0.4 million tons of raw iron were produced in present-day Germany as against 19.3 million tons in 1913 in the Germany of that time. The respective figures for steel were 12.3 million tons and 19 million tons. The world's output in 1926 aggregated 78 million tons of raw-iron and 92 million tons of steel. To the detriment of all concerned, the general depression of trade in almost all countries during the years immediately following the war, coupled with the increased productivity of the United States, France and Belgium-Luxembourg, and the creation of new iron and steel industries in Italy, Spain, India, South Africa etc., has led to overproduction in the iron and steel industry. In order to adjust the ratio of supply to demand and thus improve the business situation, the much-talked-of European Steel Trust was called into being last October. In Germany itself, the iron and steel industry has been given a more disciplined organization, and successful efforts have been made to rationalize production and marketing with the object of rendering more remunerative this key industry to manufacture in all countries. The iron and steel industry of Germany supplies, in the main, the home market. Increased exportation will take place only in so far as Germany is forced by the well-known conditions of the Dawes Scheme to raise her exports beyond the normal level.

£50,000 was the highest bid for the Philharmonic Hall, London, when it was offered for sale in London, and it was withdrawn.

TRAGIC HISTORY OF A RING.

TIMIDITY THAT BROKE A QUEEN'S HEART.

ELIZABETH AND ESSEX.

The Essex ring is to be placed on the casket in Queen Elizabeth's tomb in Westminster Abbey. The ring is of gold, and the back is engraved with arabesque foliage, set with a cameo portrait of Queen Elizabeth.

The Essex ring, given by Queen Elizabeth to the Earl of Essex as a pledge that whatever he might be accused of she would either pardon him or admit him into her presence to justify his conduct, was sold at Christie's last month for 520 guineas. It was valued 16 years ago at £3,500.

The story of a queen's tragic love is set in this ring. It is the ring which Queen Elizabeth gave to her favourite, the Earl of Essex, as a token of her love, and is described thus:

A ring of gold, the back engraved with arabesque foliage, enamelled blue, the bezel set with a sardonyx cameo of three strata, carved with a portrait of Queen Elizabeth in profile, wearing headdress and lace ruff.

Elizabeth gave this, her portrait, to Essex with the promise that "if whatsoever crimes his enemies might have accused him, or whatever offences he might have committed against her, on returning that pledge she would pardon him."

The Timid Friend.

Because of the timidity of a friend Essex went to the scaffold, and the Queen's heart was broken. The Queen had been told by the enemies of Essex that he had declared that her mind was as crooked as her body. The Earl was impeached and sentenced to death. Elizabeth believed that Essex would prove his loyalty by retreating from the ring. Up till the hour of his execution she hoped against hope to get it back. But the ring did not come; Essex was sent to the scaffold and, says the old story, the Queen had no wish but to sit in the dark, and sometimes with the shedding of tears, to bewail Essex.

This is what had happened. Essex had given the ring to his relative the Countess of Nottingham, imploring her to bear it to the Queen. Her husband, discovering his wife's intention, forbade her to do so. He hated Essex and wished his death, and it was only years after, when on her death-bed, that the Countess sent for the Queen and confessed.

Unforgotten. Elizabeth told the dying woman that God might forgive her, but that she could not, and she returned to her palace, and there, "she surrendered herself without resistance to the despair which seized her heart, refused medicine and food, passed days and nights seated on the floor, with fixed eyes and finger pressed upon her mouth. And in the space of 20 days she died."

The ring has descended from the daughter of the Earl of Essex, Lady Frances Devereux, from mother to daughter, in unbroken succession. It came eventually into the possession of Louise, daughter of John Earl of Granville, who married Thomas Thynne second Viscount Weymouth, great-grandfather of Lord John Thynne, of Haynes, Bedford.

When the Thynne heirlooms were sold at Christie's in 1911, Lord Michelham acquired the ring for £3,412.

Although she could not swim, Isabella Weir, 19, domestic servant of Linton Colliery, jumped from the pier at Amble, Northumberland, into the sea and, saved the life of an eight-year-old boy who had fallen in. Two men heard her cries and pulled her and the child out of the water.

GERMAN VILLAGES WIPED OUT.

TORRENT KILLS 130-PEOPLE.

Dresden, July 10. Thunder and darkness and the rush of mighty waters have brought death to the loveliest of the valleys of Southern Saxony. The full extent of the catastrophe of Friday night, when the rushing streams which I saw today became great rivers that carried away all in their path, is not yet known, but it is feared that at least 130 people have lost their lives.

The burgomaster of Berggießhübel told me to-day that in his village, which has suffered the most, 82 persons were killed and 15 people are still missing.

Two valleys of the pretty country which is often called the Saxon Switzerland—the green valley of the Gottleube and the valley of the Muggelitz—are the chief scenes of the disaster. The people of the villages on the banks of these two narrow streams with brown waters flowing rapidly to the Elbe are humble people who live by cultivating the ground and by making toys and watches. In summer they look after the needs of the visitors to the village inns.

Two Awful Minutes.

I have talked with numbers of these poor people to-day, and they tell a tale of two awful minutes.

"At midday there was a thunder-storm," said one woman, "and all day there was a torrent of rain. The river overflowed its banks, and as the water kept rising we did not go to bed. It must have been about half-past ten when the worst came. A towering wave of water rushed through the valley and in two minutes it had done what you see," and she embraced the ruins around us in a sweeping gesture.

This was at Berggießhübel, the village which suffered most. The Gottleube was rushing "over its story bed, and had I not seen all around me the evidence of its fearful power I could not have believed that this narrow stream could possess such titanic power.

There were the heaps of stones and bricks and roofing which had been houses. Four houses had been bowled over like ninepins by the water. Near these were ruins of houses of which the front walls had been wrenched away by the water.

The destruction of bridges has closed communication with many places.

At the close of the famous third chapter of Macaulay's History, in which the state of England in the reign of Charles II. is described (says the writer of a letter to the Times), there is a prophecy of the present day which does not seem to have attracted recent attention. "It may well be in the twentieth century that the peasant of Dorsetshire may think himself miserably paid with 15s. a week, that the carpenter at Greenwich may receive 10s. a day; that labouring men may be as little used to dine without meat as they are now to eat rye bread; that sanitary police and medical discoveries may have added several more years to the length of human life; that numerous comforts and luxuries which are now unknown, or confined to a few may be within the reach of every diligent and thrifty working man.

"And yet it may then be the mode to assert that the increase of wealth and the progress of science have benefited the few at the expense of the many, and to talk of the reign of Queen Victoria as the time when England was truly merry England, when all classes were bound together by brotherly sympathy, when the rich did not grind the faces of the poor, and when the poor did not envy the splendour of the rich."

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

INJURIES TO EYEBALL NEED PROMPT ATTENTION.

DANGERS OF DELAY.

The eyeball may be injured by penetration into it of bits of dust, sand, iron, emery wheel or similar material. Either the material flies into the eye and sticks in the surface or the amateur first aid man rubs it into the surface of the eyeball in his awkward attempts to remove it.

If a foreign substance is not removed immediately it is usually surrounded promptly by a grayish white ring indicating that infection has set in; the end result sometimes being an ulcer. An ulcer badly treated results in a scar on the surface of the eyeball that may interfere seriously with eyesight.

If pain, fear of light and constant watering are present the person may be assured that the foreign material is still in the eye and should seek competent medical assistance. The physician can use a local anesthetic to deaden the sense of pain and the reactions of the eye and can then remove the foreign material with special instruments that have been designed for this purpose.

May be Serious.

A small wound of the surface of the eyeball will usually heal as it would anywhere else in the body, provided it be given prompt and competent attention. If, however, the wound be serious enough to permit any of the interior contents to protrude through, the results may be serious. Physicians know that inflammation of one eye may have effects on the other eye; the condition called sympathetic ophthalmia. They therefore urge the most careful consideration of any eye injury because of the possibilities of complete loss of sight.

Sometimes an eye is injured by splashing of caustic acids or alkalis, by lime, hot steam or power explosions. The most severe effects of such injuries are the secondary infections and the formation of scars which cause the lids to stick to the eye ball. Such an injury should have immediate attention of a physician who will first apply an anesthetic to relieve the pain. A wash can then be applied to neutralize such of the offending material as may still remain in the eye; using a mild soda solution for an acid burn, or other chemical antidotes according to the substance concerned. Cold applications and regular washing with antiseptic solutions will prevent secondary infection.

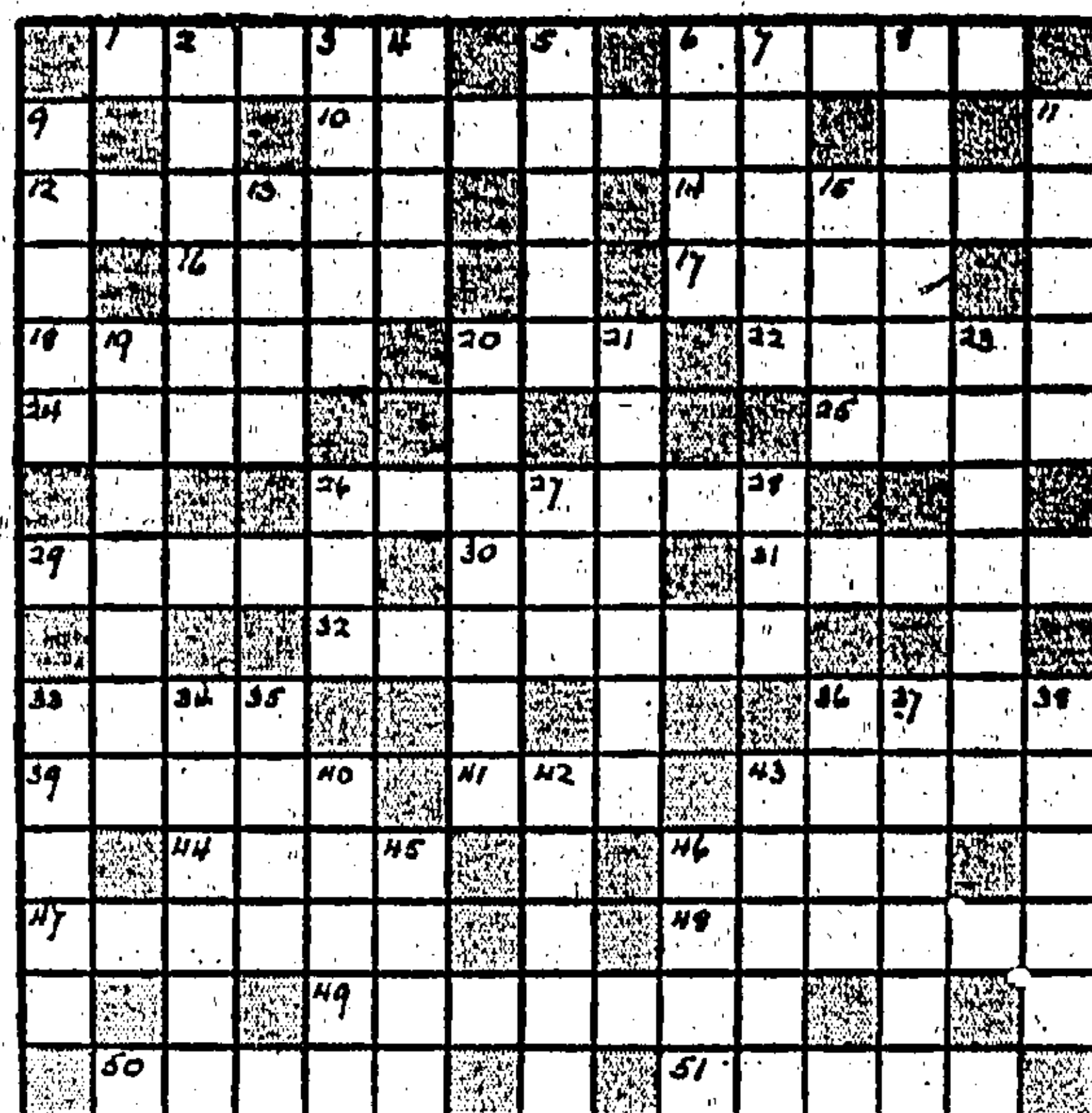
The use of a proper oil or grease will relieve the pain and a suitable bandage will act as a protection. In this way serious secondary complications are avoided, since such injury as may come after the first effect of the burn is frequently more dangerous to eyesight than the burn itself.

OUR CABARET.

KOWLOON SEASON BEING EXTENDED.

Local theatre-goers will be pleased to learn that, having met with instant success, Mr. Charles Chamber's company of ten London artists is extending its season in the Kowloon Theatre. The revue for to-night and to-morrow night is "Tally Ho," and this will be followed, it has now been decided, by "Honi Soit," on Sunday and Monday, August 14 and 15; "A La Carte" on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 16 and 17; "Here and There" on Thursday and Friday, August 18 and 19; and "Pot-Pourri" on Saturday, August 20. The further revues are all of the same cheery nature as those that have already won so much favour, consequently local theatre-goers can book with every confidence of thoroughly enjoying themselves.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across.

- 1 Besom.
- 6 Secure places.
- 10 Concealed facts.
- 12 Keep back.
- 14 Those who oil.
- 16 Old.
- 17 Couple.
- 18 One who attempts.
- 20 Limb.
- 22 Black man.
- 24 Snake-like fish.
- 25 Applied to tides.
- 26 Spotted animal.
- 29 Cuttle-fish.
- 30 Floor covering.
- 31 Islands.
- 32 Attendance.
- 33 Pace.
- 36 Places in position.
- 39 Donkeys.
- 41 Prevents noise.
- 43 Pertaining to punishment.
- 44 Walk.
- 46 Reared.
- 47 Dread.
- 48 Those who assist.
- 49 Ore of uranium.
- 50 Heavenly orbs.
- 51 Obliterate.

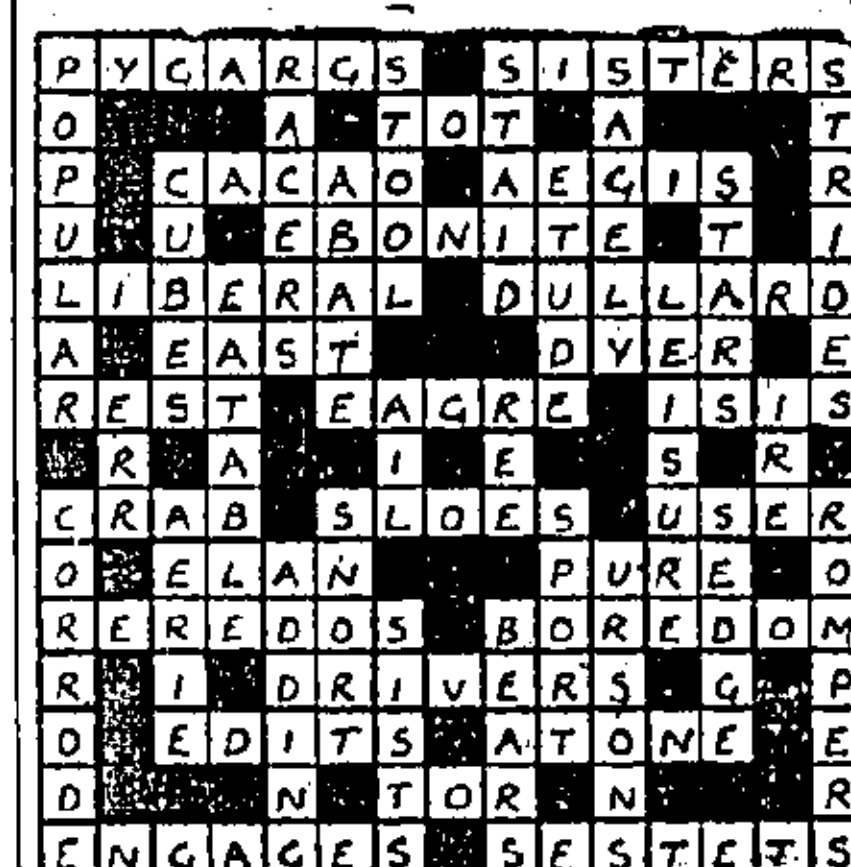
Down.

- 2 Sell in small quantities.
- 3 Species of willow.
- 4 Repair.
- 5 Regular employment.
- 6 Cease to move.
- 7 Pertaining to Asia.
- 8 Rise out of a fluid.
- 9 Babble.
- 11 Impede by one's own act.
- 13 Eras.

Legal claim.

- 19 Rulers.
- 20 Coming into view.
- 21 Irritating.
- 23 Scales on young shoots.
- 26 Edict.
- 27 Tap lightly.
- 28 Excavate.
- 33 Salt used as medicine.
- 34 Mind.
- 35 Fruit.
- 36 Fruit of wheat.
- 37 Finishers.
- 38 Cut.
- 40 Clean.
- 42 Correct.
- 43 One who pries.
- 45 Does wrong.
- 46 To leave out.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



ANGRY FRENCH WOMEN.

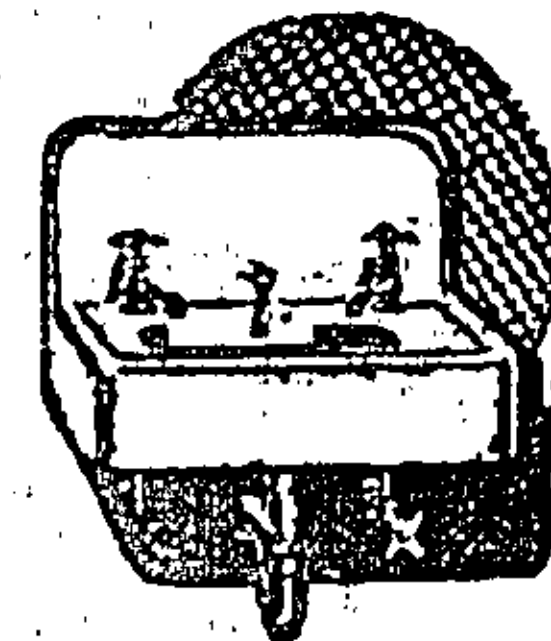
RED BUSYBODIES CHASED FROM TOWN.

Paris, July 10. Energetic action of the women-folk—mothers of families and young girls alike—who chased Communist agitators out of the Breton town of Douarnenez, has put an end to the strike of sardine fishers, which has brought untold misery to thousands of homes of the Breton fishing port. The sardine fishers strike has been fomented by the Reds, who invaded the fishing village when, as they thought, a bad season had prepared the way for infection of the Communist poison.

The climax was reached yesterday when Red agitators from Paris, knowing nothing of the sea, organised a big meeting of strikers in the market hall. The Communist speakers had just begun to harangue the fishermen when the fishwives and girls broke in, and shouting "Get out of here," pelted the orators with cabbage stalks, stones, and any missiles they could pick up. The Reds beat a hasty retreat, but the infuriated women followed them until they had been driven from the town.

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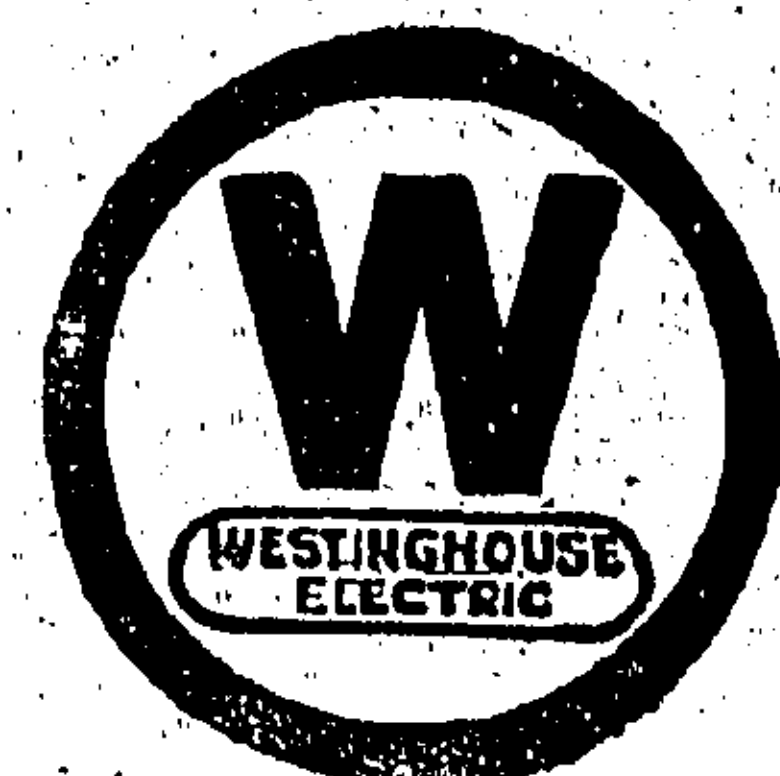
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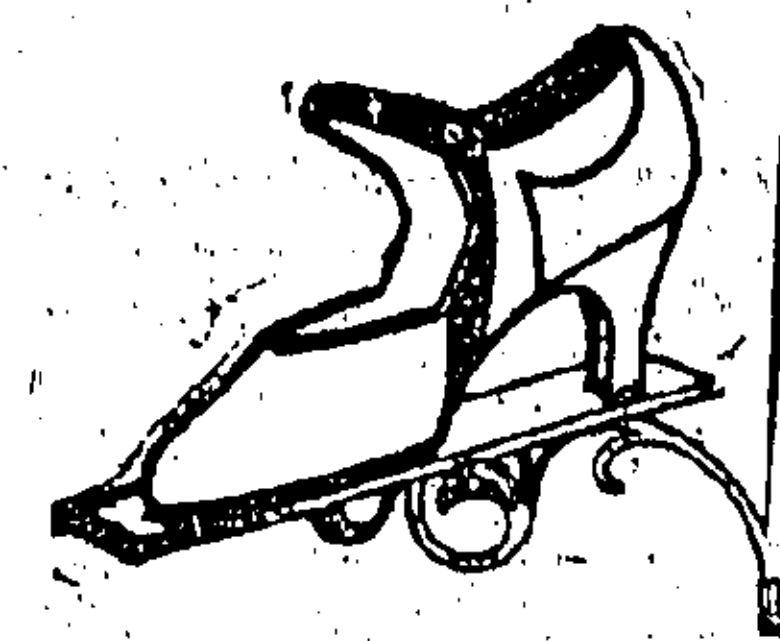
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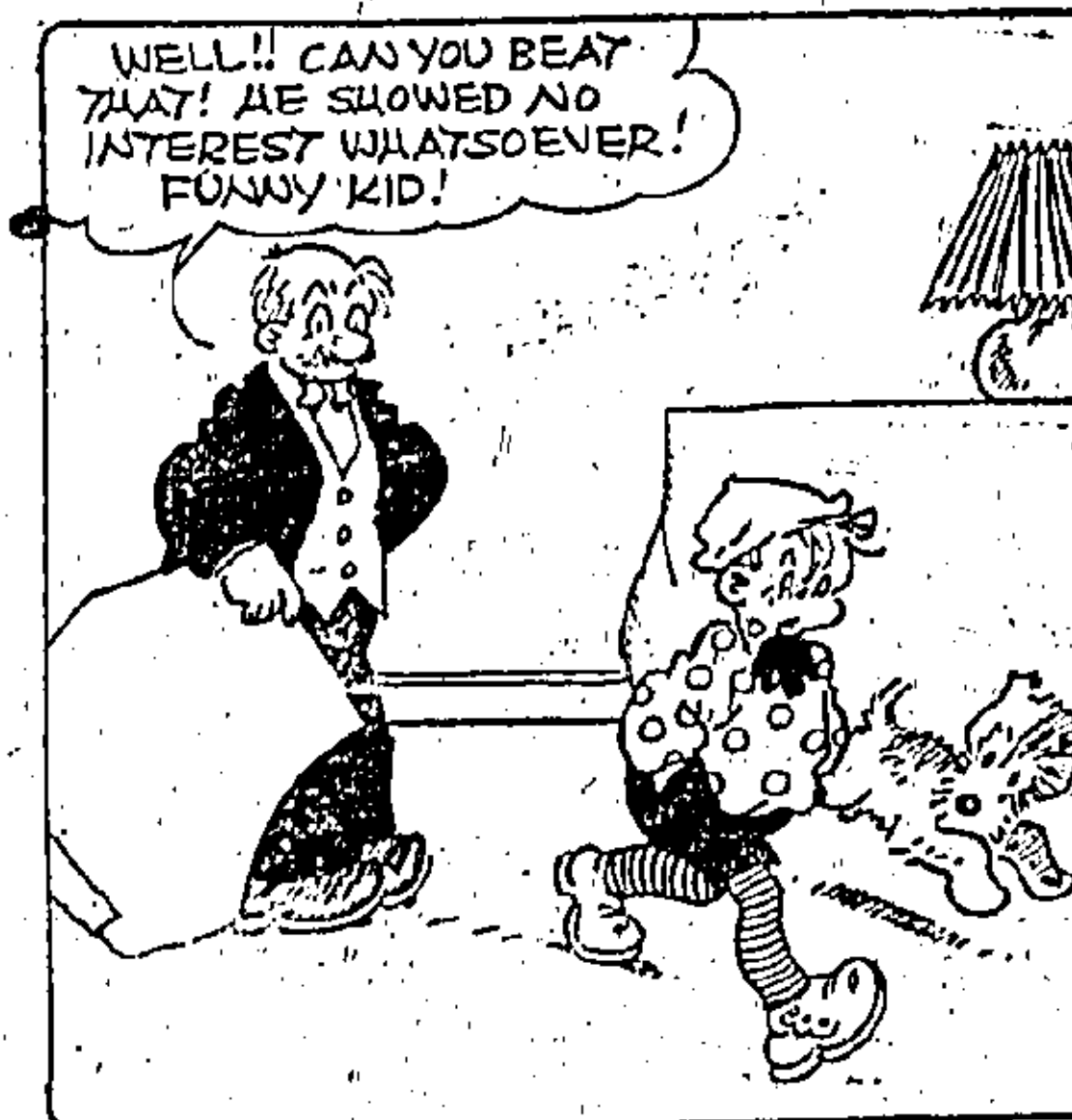
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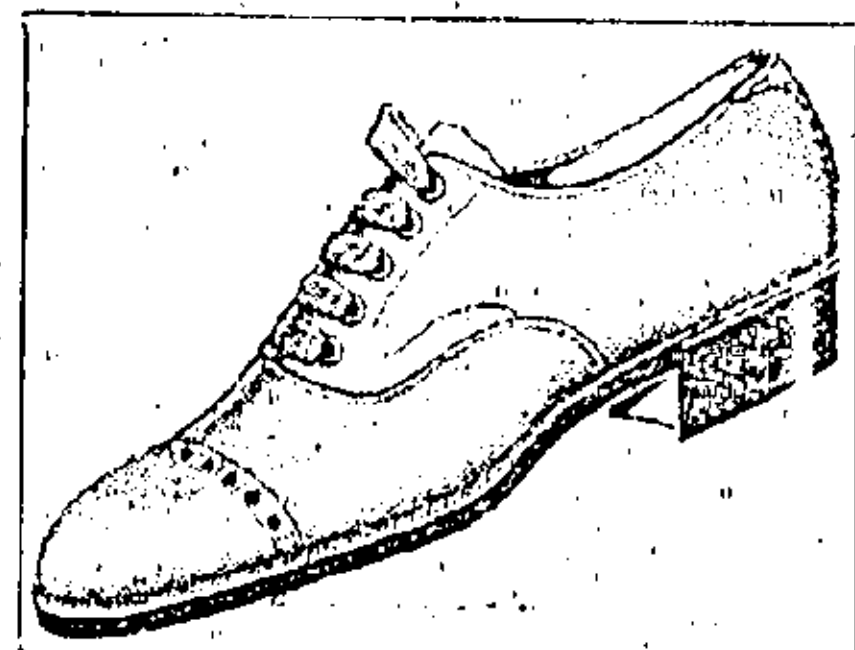
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DEATH

ISMAIL.—Passed away at 5.15 p.m., yesterday, at his residence Mr. S. E. Ismail after a fortnight's illness. Funeral will take place at 8 a.m. to-day (sharp), from his residence 159, Wong Nei-Chung Road.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 1927.

GERMANY TO-DAY.

Yesterday's official reception given by Dr. Wagner, the German Consul, in celebration of the anniversary of the promulgation of the Constitution of Weimar by which Germany adopted the Republican form of Government, serves to remind us how far removed we are to-day from those dark days during which the Allies and the Central Powers were battling in the greatest war of history. After their defeat in November, 1918, the German people passed through very critical and tumultuous days from out of which was evolved a Republican form of Government and the drafting of a national Constitution which has since held the nation together in loyalties that have been above deep political schisms. History will have valuable lessons to learn from the manner in which the German people have retained their national homogeneity and outlook in face of what they rightly describe as "The Great Catastrophe" and also from the way in which they have more or less philosophically and with industry resigned themselves to the consequences of military defeat. The Constitution of Weimar is something more than a new form of Government for the formerly very proud Germanic Empire, for its adoption marked the metamorphosis of a Great Power. No one who takes the trouble to transpose themselves for the purposes of thought into the position of the German people can fail to appreciate either the tremendous task which they are assailing or the mental struggle and victory that their present-day position connotes. Whether most of the ill-effects of the Great War have died away, or whether there is much or little enmity between Germany and her late enemies on the field, is a matter for our individual assessment, but there can be no question that Germany of to-day is a very virile witness to the truth that fortitude can overcome adversity.

One has to remember that as a result of the war Germany lost over 27,000 square miles of her territory and over 6,000,000 of her population, and that she is, under the Dawes scheme, making very large annual payments in the way of reparations. It is with regard to the last-named matter that Germany is to-day rapidly approaching the serious phase of her post-war problem. Hitherto, the Dawes scheme payments (apart from payments in kind) have very largely been paid out of loans raised abroad, and, as they are on a graduated scale, they become larger next year than they are this. We have not the actual figures at hand but the payments to fall due are not only very much larger than those for this year but, what is more important, they will have to be met largely out of the country's revenue instead of out of borrowed money. There have already been doubts expressed in some quarters as to whether the Finance Minister will be able to manipulate things so as to avoid default, and it is known that a very great budgeting task awaits accomplishment if plain sailing is to be assured. A quickening of Germany's foreign trade, a decrease in her internal spendings, and an increase in the revenue of her Exchequer are necessary, and it is to be hoped, for the sake of European concord, that no effort will be spared to accomplish these things. Germany is tackling a very big task and there are many who wish her well in it, because Germany's rehabilitation and welfare is indissolubly bound up with the peace and prosperity of all Europe.

Russian Rumblings.

There is a great deal amusing, for those who care to read between the lines, in the account of the plenary session of the Soviet party in Moscow. There are references to a policy of peace, to war threats from outside, and to friendliness towards capitalist countries. "Also, there is evidence of the internal dissension that evidently exists in large measure. The declaration by the chief spokesman that "the international policy of the Soviets was essentially a policy of peace" is the kind of statement that one reads with a smile. Is all the propaganda, the effort to stir up world strife, the intrigue and anarchy that is being conducted against all the democratic countries of the globe, the vendetta against non-Bolsheviks, the wholesale slaughter of alleged spies and "counter-revolutionaries," to be taken as symptomatic of peaceful intent? If so, then one is moved to utter with the old commentator, "If that is the Soviet at peace, then spare us from a Soviet at war!" The truth is that the Soviet is constantly at war—with a shadow. The shadow is the bogey of imperialism which is supposed to affect every country that is not Bolshevik. The guilt that is Russia's to-day makes its rulers apprehensive of a campaign to undermine their influence on the part of all other nations. Hence the "danger of a counter-revolutionary war against Soviet Russia." That danger exists mostly in imagination, fired by a sense of fear of the *honi soit qui mal y pense* type. The friendliness towards "capitalist" countries so graciously permitted, is nothing short of a necessary pandering to nations that have the wherewithal for Soviet Russia's development. She herself has frittered away all the capital she had, and has ruined her prospects of prosperity during this generation at least. But by courting, to their faces, the governments that have money to advance (while exploiting all opportunities of doing them an injury behind their backs), the Bolsheviks probably think they are doing a good stroke of business. As an instance of successful double dealing it is probably unique. It exposes the specious claims of Communist perfection and independence of capitalism. There is also the fact that a so-called semi-defeatist party, with an important following, exists in the country, and has to be reckoned with. There is no doubt whatever that the Soviet leaders are fearful for their position, but it is not so much a fear of outside foes as a realization that there is bound to be an internal upheaval unless the methods of administration directed from Moscow are drastically changed.

A reader informs us that a monkey, seemingly a wild one, was observed by the roadside at Shatin yesterday evening by a motorcyclist, and wants to know whether it is unusual. So far as we know, the presence of monkeys in the New Territories in a wild state is a well-established fact.

DAY BY DAY.

HE WHO NEGLECTS THE PRESENT MOMENT THROWS AWAY ALL HE HAS.—Schiller.

Yesterday's health return gives one Chinese case of enteric fever.

The Ben Line s.s. Benalder from Home is due to arrive here on 16th instant.

The local weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory, up to noon to-morrow, is: S.W. winds, moderate-cloudy, occasional rain.

During the absence of the occupier, a married woman, a thief entered a room at the Meechow Hotel, 226, Des Voeux Road Central, the night before last, and stole jewellery to the value of \$780.

The official police report issued this morning in connexion with the death of Mr. John Ibbotson, Chief Officer of the s.s. Tai Lee, states that the Chief Officer was found dead on board, apparently having been poisoned.

While riding a push bicycle yesterday at Wuhu Street, Hung-hom, a Japanese steward of the Taiyuen Maru knocked down a Chinese boy, who was seriously injured in the stomach. The victim was removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

Sir Francis Aglen, whose marriage at Brompton Parish Church to Miss Anna Moore Ritchie is announced, is the Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs. The new Lady Aglen is the second daughter of the late Mr. Murray Pringle Ritchie, of Liverpool and Chilli. Sir Francis, who is 57 years of age, married in 1907 Seng Marion, daughter of the late Professor Sir Bayley Balfour. She died in 1925. He has three sons and two daughters.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Paris	124.05
Geneva	25.22
Berlin	20.44
Oslo	18.73
Helsingfors	192.7
Athens	3.76
Buenos Aires	47.27
Hongkong	1/11 1/2
New York	48.16
Amsterdam	12.12
Stockholm	18.12
Vienna	34.60
Madrid	28.70
Bucharest	7.65
Bombay	1/5.29/32
Yokohama	1/11.11/32
Brussels	34.53
Milan	89.30
Copenhagen	18.15
Trague	1.64
Lisbon	2/7.16
Rio	1.52/7.16
Shanghai	2/5
Silver (spot)	23.15/16
Silver (forward)	25.1/16

—British Wireless.

BAND CONCERT.

PROGRAMME FOR SUNDAY.

The band programme for the concert to be held on the Kowloon Dock Bathing beach on Sunday afternoon will be rendered by the full military band, pipers and drummers of the 2nd Battalion, K.O.S.B. (by kind permission of Lieut.-Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., and officers, when the following be rendered:—

March
Héroïque "Szabadi"
March "Bonawie Highlanders"
Selection "Romeo a Gialietta"
March "Dovecot Park"
Strathspey "The Marquis of Huntley"
Reel "Ca' the Ewes Tae the Knoes"
Song "Berceuse de Jocelyn"
Soloist, Muscician H. Lattimer.
March "The 79th Farewell to Gibraltar."

Excerpts from "Morrie England."

Interval.

Slow March "The Road to the Isles"
March "MacRae's Farewell to the 74th"
Strathspey "Munlochy Bridge"
Reel "Tall Toddlie"
Selection "Yeoman of the Guard"
March "Daft Donald"
Piccolo Solo "Pleasant" (Soloist, Muscician A. McKenna.)
Slow March "My Home"
March "The Siege of Delhi"
Strathspey "Broomie Castle"
Reel "Jack Wilson"
Military Fantasia "A Sabbath Morning on Parade."

RESTRICTIONS ON HANDCARTS.

LABOURERS SEEK ALTERATION.

It is stated in the vernacular press that the Government has decided to decrease the number of street handcart, from about 2,000 to about 1,825, in Hongkong, while there will not be any changes in Kowloon.

These carts, pulled by Chinese coolies with long ropes, sometimes prove great obstacles to the stream of moving vehicles in the busy parts of the city.

With regard to these carts it is also learned that the Police have issued new regulations that each cart will not be allowed to carry cargo which is heavier than a ton. Formerly, one of these handcarts carried goods as heavy as two tons.

When the news of the enforcement of this new regulation reached the ears of the Chinese labourers belonging to the Tung Tak Labour Union, there were complaints among them, as they are mostly pullers of handcarts. The labourers do not own these carts themselves, but they are hired by the labourers.

The labourers sent some of their representatives to see the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe concerning the new regulation, the vernacular press adds, but without result.

It is believed that the new restriction will oblige the labourers to increase their charges on the transportation of cargo.

BIG WINE SEIZURE.

TWO BOAT PEOPLE HEAVILY FINED.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, a boatman and a boat-woman were charged before Mr. W. Schofield with being in unlawful possession of 221 gallons of Chinese wine on which the duty had not been paid.

Both defendants admitted the presence of the wine on board but said that they were merely employees, the master having gone ashore.

It was stated that the defendants were the only two persons on board and the boat license was in the possession of the woman.

In imposing fines of \$200 each, his Worship said that they being folk he would not inflict as heavy a penalty as in the case of a master. The junk, however, would be confiscated together with the wine.

OBITUARY.

MR. S. E. ISMAIL.

The death occurred at his residence at Wong Nei-chong Road on Thursday evening of Mr. S. E. Ismail.

The deceased was 44 years of age and had been in indifferent health for some time. It is learned that he died of pneumonia, which followed a minor operation on the throat.

Mr. Ismail was a well-known figure in local lawn bowls circles, played for many years for the Craigengower Cricket Club and for the Indian Recreation Club.

A large circle of friends were present at the funeral which took place this morning at the Mahomedan Cemetery, the deceased being buried in accordance with Mahomedan rites. Many wreaths were laid upon the grave.

GEN. LI CHAI-SUM.

SOON TO VISIT WUCHOW.

It is reported from Canton that General Li Chai-sum will shortly leave for Wuchow his native home, and will later visit Nanning, the capital of Kwangsi. He also plans to inspect the Northern front.

Close friends of the General deny that he is leaving because of frequent attempts on his life, but point out that his mother is sick in Wuchow and that that is one reason for his visit there.

Excellent entertainment is offered to-day and to-morrow by the Colony's principal cinemas. At the Queen's Theatre the feature film is Adolphe Menjou's latest comedy, "A Kiss in the Dark" with an added attraction in the shape of the complete official record of Commander Byrd's flight to the North Pole. The World Theatre offers the screen version of a novel by Kathleen Norris, namely "Rose of the World," a story of hate and revenge with a notable climax. The principal film in the continuous programme at the Star Theatre is a briskly amusing Western comedy with Hoot Gibson as the hero, and in the evening the new Our Cabaret is presenting the new revue called "Tally Ho."

The Very Idea!

A Continental gentleman not quite accustomed to the eccentricities of the English language went into a shoe store in Liverpool to buy a pair of boots. The first pair he tried on he said were "ferry goot poots," but he "wouldn't half dem because dey was droonk." "Drunk, sir!" the shopman exclaimed in a surprised tone. "I really don't understand you."

"Ya, ya, dey vos droonk. No, dat is nodd de vord. I mean dey was dippy. No, no; wrong again; I mean, mein freundt, dese poots was ferry ferry poots." At this moment the manager appeared and wanted to know what was the matter. "Dese poots," replied the customer, "was von of dese tree—droonk, dippy or poots—vich you call idt I know nodd." The manager smiled, and said, "You mean the boots are tight, I suppose?" "Ya, ya, dat's der vord."

There is a village in Somerset which may be said to be very much divided against itself. The village of Porlock is situated half in the parish of Porlock and half belonging to Luccombe, which is three miles away, and the dividing line between the two runs down the middle of the main street of Porlock. Only the other day it was decided to make Porlock an urban district, but before this was done a Porlock policeman could not arrest a man who was on the other side of the main street, and if he was anywhere near the middle of the street the officer was obliged to have a tape measure handy to make sure that he was not trespassing on the wrong side of the boundary and that his arrest was legal. Presumably if the arrested man had one foot in each parish the constable would only be entitled to arrest half of him. What he would be able to do with the other half is merely conjecture. In summer time, of course, Porlock saves water by being obliged only to water one side of the street. The Porlockians, when they bury their dead, have to use the cemetery in Luccombe parish, and their grievance is that they have to pay double fees. There are different rates for each half of the village.

Poplar woman: His wife has had only one black eye in three months, so he is not so bad.

Wilkesden man: I am guilty and at the same time innocent.

Man at Wilkesden: At the present moment I am away at the seaside.

Hackney lodger: When I went to my landlady's house she thought she had the monopoly of the language, but she had not.

London policeman: The accused man was coming along the subway over the railway-line.

Robert Rolfe was fined forty shillings at Woolwich for playing "Crown and anchor" at police sports.

If one of your girls gets a prize don't sniff at another girl who doesn't, because the other girl may be Home Secretary one of these days, said Sir William Joynson-Hicks, distributing prizes at the Southern Provincial Police School at Redhill.

I never used to get any prizes at school, so they gave me the Home Office. Learning lessons used to bore me as it does all boys and girls to-day, but now I can say quite truly I am glad that they made me learn when I was at school.

The peacemaker often comes in for the most criticism.—Mr. J. R. Clynes.

There is no such powerful explosive in the world as a new idea.—Lord Astor.

There is nothing more pharisaical than to suppress newspaper reports by legislation.—Judge Atherton-Jones.

I believe there is a better desire for peace throughout most of the world at the present moment.—Mr. G. Locker Lampson, M.P.

Many provincial art galleries contain pictures which have long since had their day. They will never make Old Masters.—Mr. J. A. Charlton Deas.

A circular from a Japanese firm announces that it guarantees us "a prompt and neat execution." Those to whom the heat has become a burden may perhaps like to avail themselves of this offer, although the hope that we will make "frequent uses of our services" seems to imply a survivability commonly credited to the cat.

A 45-caliber revolver had been fired at him, the bullet penetrating his skull and entering the wood-work.—American.

Announcement is made to-day that Service men will be admitted at special prices to the back stalls in the Star Theatre during the new Our Cabaret's season except on Saturday and Sunday, when the usual prices will be charged.

KWANGSI RE-VISITED (2).

A NOW PEACEFUL PROVINCE.

Lungchow is a ramshackle town without even the interests of antiquity. It sprang up somehow of late years all higgledy-piggledy. It gave promise at one time of being important. It was planned that it should be. Cities, however, are queer. They seldom turn out as they should; and even if they do grow, they won't expand in the directions that are expected of them.

The river is not only navigable as far as Canton 700 miles away, but boats can travel on both the branches of the river, where it divides here, and you can get into Tonkin that way if you have plenty of time to spare.

Lungchow can boast of even bigger things. We have a Railway Station; and a wharf, for transferring goods from railhead on to lighters! This railway coming from Indo-China, was to be continued to Nanning and Pakhoi. The rails have only shown themselves on paper so far; and the Railway Station, without a railway, is now the French Consulate.

There is wonderful scenery. A circle of massive and towering limestone bluffs might be a giant's wall; and beyond that again are the mountains. No far from the river and outside the city are some rambling old buildings surrounded by trees. In the Manchou days this was a library for scholars preparing for their examinations. It is now the centre for our highest seat of learning, the Middle School. Here the eddies from the whirlpools of Canton and Nanking make their presence felt.

Lungchow, strange to say, used to be a favourite residence for retired generals: a kind of Wimbledon or Easbourne where Anglo-Indians used to be as thick as peas. Here, in Lungchow, these Chinese warriors, having laid down their arms, were prepared to spend the remainder of their days in peace, surrounded by wives and concubines, and blessed with numerous offspring.

Alas, for the vanity of human hopes! wars and rumours of wars and invading armies dispelled any illusions. There are no havens of refuge left now in this distracted land, and certainly Lungchow is not one!

I am writing now from one of these family mansions. Pretty French tiles adorn the floors. Outside is a tennis court and a garden with big spreading trees. The place now resounds with merry children's voices; and as the evenings darken you can hear them singing their evening hymns. The old general is dead and the family are living elsewhere. Misfortune dogged the family from the very first. All the omens seemed evil. The crowning tragedy was on a never-to-be-forgotten evening when the family, having finished their supper, called for the slave girls to come and clear the dishes away. None of them appeared. Search was made, and nowhere could they be found. Later, eight little bodies were discovered in one of the great ponds outside! Apparently, the mystery of this strange suicide has never been cleared up.

When Kwangtung invaded Kwangsi during the Presidency of Sun Yat-sen, a lot of soldiers billeted themselves in this mansion. On the wide verandahs can still be seen the rings in the pillars where they tethered their horses; and the walls are still black with their wood fires. Fuel was obtained by tearing out the doors and windows and by burning such articles of furniture as the family had left behind. The broken tiles on the floors still bear the marks where this wood was chopped up. All was transformed to stark desolation.

The children on our street are my great friends. The struggle for existence, coupled with opium and vice, has not smoothed out all expression from their faces as it has with their elders. They are so natural and pretty and charming. Impervious, as yet, to Sun Yat-senism, they do not think that because a man's skin is white his heart must be black—excepting, of course, the angels from Moscow.

Yesterday, I was escorted with three youngsters hanging on to one hand and one on the other. This often happens while the parents look on and laugh with great amusement. My old friend Mr. C. called on me. I am sorry to say he was not looking a day younger yet with all his own vim and vivacity.

"Have you seen the Commissioner of Customs yet?" he asked, with suppressed excitement. I replied that I had.

"Did he tell you he had met me?" Well he did. He actually asked

me to come and sit down with him in his office. We talked together as friends: just like you and I are doing now! And he an Englishman! I know what the English are like—I've been in Hongkong!

There has been a long drought here, and rice is dear. This coupled with the new taxation on luxuries makes it hard for rich and poor alike. Five piculs of potatoes were charged \$5.00 H.K. extra import duty; being a "luxury." For Lipton's tea I paid \$2.75 H.K. a tin at a shop and "Comet" oil, which I remember buying in the old days at Nanning for \$1.35, is now \$4.80 H.K. here.

Rain is falling now, however, and all the streams are swollen and the river rising. The frogs, on the principle of "Purr" when you are pleased, make the nights merry with their concert. Instead of there being a drop in the price of rice, it is still soaring. I don't know why.

Kwangsi is very peaceful at this time and there is a firm hand at the head of affairs. Yet one never knows what to expect! Last year Lungchow celebrated the anniversary of the Shanghai riots by looting the Alliance Mission house and church. Not that Lungchow knows, or cares, what goes on in Shanghai, but a gentleman from Canton, a professional agitator, came up for the purpose of letting off steam.

There are always, everywhere, gamblers and opium sets ever ready for getting something for nothing, and with nothing of their own to lose. These, with a sprinkling of students and soldiers, invaded the Mission one evening, and cleaned the place up, destroying what they couldn't carry off. The authorities did not interfere with their frolic until it came to taking the tiles off the roof. There they drew the line. Nothing else was left, however.

The missionaries, a couple getting on in years, were away, attending meetings in Indo-China. As they had spent most of their lives in serving the Chinese, they took this episode as an indication that they were no longer wanted; and have returned to America for good.

The Chinese staff suffered the loss of all their goods as well. They waited patiently till after the up-river had ceased, and cleaned up the wreckage. Borrowing forms and other furniture, they started their meetings again. The plot had cleaned up the church; for all the doubled-minded and catch-whatever-you-can hangers on melted away like snow in summer. I went to church there on Sunday. The numbers were quite good; and there was a general sense of alertness and goodwill. The preacher said not a word about politics. There was an after meeting to which all were invited. At this, a Chinese lady teacher, from a school in Wuchow, spoke remarkably well, and entirely from the Bible.

In addition to the iron bridge which spans the river, a road is being constructed down to the waters' edge. This is for motor cars, to enable them to be carried over by lighter.

There are, at present, three Motor Bus Companies which operate between Lungchow and French territory. These all start on that side of the river. The idea now is to encourage motor traffic to inland places on both sides of the river. One of these Motor Companies got into serious trouble with the French Government, and was charged with assisting Foreign Legionaries to desert. These Legionaries, all Germans, evidently believed that every soldier carries a Marshal's baton in his knap sack. They thought they would prefer being generals in the Chinese army rather than privates with the French. The Chinese officials here thought otherwise; and all the men were sent back across the border, much to their grief and dismay.

The rain has stopped and the sun is shining. As far as the eye can reach the landscape is a vivid green. Except for the buzz of insects; and the occasional crowing of a cock, not a sound disturbs the stillness. All is peaceful.

What is in the future? Who knows!

"Watchman! What of the night?" Watchman! What of the night?

The watchman said, "The morning cometh and also the night!" If ye will enquire, enquire ye: come ye again!"

H. L. C.

POLICEMAN AND A WOMAN.

ARRESTS THAT CAME TO NOTHING.

AN ALLEGED ASSAULT.

A Chinese woman named Pang Ho was charged this morning before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, with assaulting a Chinese police constable, No. 441, on August 9, in Second Street.

It is alleged that the defendant struck the constable on the head with the back of a heavy chopper, and that the motive was revenge. Mr. D. McCallum conducted the defence, and a cross-summons was taken out by the defendant against the constable for assault.

Giving evidence from the witness-box, the constable said that on August 5, at 9 a.m. the defendant was arrested and taken to the No. 7 Police Station for obstruction and hawking without a license in Second Street. The inspector in charge at the police station refused the charge, on the ground that the rice which the constable produced as being hawked by defendant was dirty rice, and further that no scales or money was found on the defendant.

On August 9, witness had occasion to arrest another woman for

LIFE ATTEMPTED.



Ex-King George of Greece, whose life has been attempted in the Balkans, a youth firing several shots which missed.

the same offence. She was taken to the police station, and as the constable was leaving, another woman, who was not the defendant, threatened to "chop him up" if he was not careful. The constable took the woman into custody and charged her for using threats against him.

Charges Dismissed.

The Inspector in charge dismissed both women and the constable returned to his beat. He was at Second Street at 9.30 just outside the defendant's house, No. 33, when he felt something strike his head. Before he could see who had struck him, the defendant struck at him with the back of a chopper.

Witness said he was dazed, and fell on the ground. As he was falling he seized the woman and blew his police whistle.

Mr. Lindsell: How did you manage to do that?

Witness: I seized her and blew my whistle. Mr. Lindsell: Then you did not in fact fall on the ground?—Not at that time.

Continuing, the constable said that other policemen came to his assistance—on hearing his police whistle.

Mr. Lindsell: Do you say that this double attack was unprovoked and unexpected?—Yes. Witness stated that he was able to walk to the police station, and later he went to the Government Civil Hospital, where his wound was stitched up. He was not detained at the hospital.

Mr. McCallum: You say that this heavy hatchet in court is the cause of the small wound on your head?—Yes.

Have you felt the weight of it?—It was a slight blow.

Could you hit anybody a slight blow with an instrument like this?—Personally, I can control it.

No Bloodstains.

Mr. McCallum pointed out that there was no blood on the instrument, and Mr. Lindsell remarked that he had heard medical evidence on many occasions to show that the instrument used to inflict a wound need not necessarily be bloodstained.

Mr. McCallum replied that that may be quite true, but generally one would find blood on an instrument. Addressing the witness Mr. McCallum asked: I put it to you that you went to No. 33 after the assault and found this axe?—No.

With regard to the threat uttered by the police station, Mr. McCallum stated that the woman who

KOWLOON PIERS.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF K. R. A.

MANY OTHER SUBJECTS.

The usual monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association was held in the Vicarage St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Monday evening. (In the absence of the President (Mr. W. J. Stokes), the Chair was taken by Mr. B. Wylie.)

Considerable discussion took place on the subject of the damaged public pier at Kowloon Point. It was pointed out that as a considerable time would elapse before this pier was repaired, accommodation of a temporary nature ought to be provided. It was also considered that the present pier was too small for present-day traffic and that, before commencing to repair the present pier, Government should seriously consider the possibility of enlargement.

In view of the increasing congestion at the Ferry, the General Committee also recommended the erection of another public pier at a point between the Railway Station and Holt's Wharf and in line with Nathan Road, with a footbridge or level-crossing across the railway track.

Traffic Scheme.

With regard to the scheme for traffic control at the Kowloon Ferry approach, the Government had stated that the plan submitted by the Association together with other schemes was receiving consideration and had stated that a Sessional paper would be issued as soon as the plans were sufficiently advanced.

The Committee instructed the Hon. Secretary to write and thank the C.S.P. for his promptitude in causing the various bus Companies to display Route Numbers at the rear of their vehicles. It was thought that coloured lights for use at night might also be carried.

Inadequate lighting.

Complaints as to the inadequate lighting of the streets in Kowloon were examined and discussed, and it was decided to write Government on the subject. In connexion with the foregoing, there had also been complaints concerning the glare of headlights from buses. It was decided to approach the authorities and suggest that, particularly in Nathan Road, all buses should have their headlights shaded and all motor cars use sidelights only, as owing to the glare it was difficult for motorists to discern the lamp posts, trees and numerous pedestrians who walk on the roadway. It was also decided to write to the local bus companies and ask that inspectors be given authority to divert empty buses for the purpose of picking up numerous passengers who may be held up at various points owing to passing vehicles being already full. It appears that many people in the vicinity of Jordan Road, had been suffering from this disability.

A White Line Wanted.

It was also proposed to suggest to the police the desirability of painting a white line in the centre of that part of the roadway between the traffic post at the junction of Nathan and Salisbury roads and the Peninsula Hotel in order that vehicles proceeding straight along Salisbury Road might draw out from the left and so give an indication to the traffic policeman. This, it was thought, would facilitate the work of traffic direction.

The Association did not approve of the planting of trees on the narrow roads of the Kowloon Tong Estate but suggested to its Subscribers Association as an alternative that a considerable amount of shade could be acquired if those residents with gardens adjoining the footpaths would plant trees therein.

A vote of thanks was accorded to Rev. Mr. Rogers for the use of the Vicarage.

The following new members have joined the Association during the past month:—Messrs. K. A. Carstensen and C. G. Anderson

The experiment of replacing Dutch stokers by Chinese stokers through the industrial troubles at Rotterdam led to a mutinous display among this section of the crew when the Holland-America liner Rotterdam reached New York from Holland via Southampton. It was learned on the vessel's arrival at Plymouth on July 11 that despite the warnings of the American immigration authorities, the Chinese insisted on landing. They armed themselves with knives, razors, capstan bars, and monkey wrenches and forced their way down the gangways, assaulting all who attempted to stop them. Dock watchmen were resisted, and only when the police arrived on the scene and fired revolvers in the air did a number of the Chinese return to the liner. Sixty escaped ashore, and many of them were captured and imprisoned. A new crew had to be secured for the return voyage.

BAN ON THE PACIFIC FLIGHTS.

NAVAL AIRMEN CRASH AND ARE KILLED.

OTHERS "NOT QUALIFIED."

San Francisco, Aug. 11. The Flight Committee and Department of Commerce, subject to the approval of the Honolulu chapter of the National Aeronautic Association, has ordered the postponement of a flight timed to-morrow from San Francisco to Honolulu, on the ground that the entries are "not now properly equipped or qualified."—*Reuter's American Service.*

Two Contenders Killed.

San Francisco, Aug. 11. Lieutenants Covell and Waggoner, of the United States Navy, crashed and were killed in attempting a flight to Hawaii for the prize given by Mr. Dole. The airmen drew No. 13 in "Dole" Race.

The aeroplane was declared tricky to handle owing to peculiarities in its construction.—*Reuter's American Service.*

IRISH FREE STATE GOVERNMENT.

NEW ELECTION LIKELY.

Dublin, Aug. 11. In consequence of the oath-taking decision of the Fianna Fail, a general election is likely, as the Government is now in a minority of five.

The decision was reached after pourparlers with the Labourite leader, Mr. Johnson, who, if Mr. Cosgrave resigns, will be called upon, to form a Government.—*Reuter.*

State of the Parties.

London, Aug. 11. Members of the Fianna Fail, Mr. De Valera's political party in the Irish Free State, took the oath of allegiance to-day, and having thus become entitled to their seats in the Dail Eireann they were formally introduced to the Speaker by Captain William Redmond, son of the late Mr. John Redmond, and chairman of the National League party.

Mr. De Valera's party numbers 44, and their decision to reverse their former policy was reached after full consideration of the effect of a Bill passed yesterday, which requires future candidates for election to declare in advance their readiness, if elected, to take the oath.

It would appear that the addition of this body of support to the present opposition will leave the Government in the minority, and there is much speculation regarding the prospects.

The present state of the other parties is: Government 45, Farmers 11, Independents 14, National League 8, and Labour 22.

The Dail resumes its sittings to-morrow.—*British Wireless.*

Earlier Message.

London, Aug. 11. The Party has issued a statement that though they intend taking the oath they will regard the declaration as an empty formality and that their only allegiance is to the Irish nation and will not be given to any other authority.—*Reuter.*

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 12 of this issue.

1. From what is mercury obtained?
2. What is backwash?
3. Who used the words, "The blood of martyrs is the seed of the Church?"
4. Which unit of the Army has the fewest grades of "other ranks"?
5. Who was William Tindale?
6. In which corps did Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener receive their commissions?
7. Where is Thursday Island?
8. Who was Mercator?
9. What is Potosi, Bolivia, noted for?
10. Which unit of the Army has only one officer wearing its badge?
11. "Half church of God; half castle against the Scot." Of what building was this said?
12. What is the staple industry of Downbury?

Founder's Day has been celebrated at Stratford-on-Avon Grammar School, this year being the 500th anniversary of the building of the pedagogue's house, which is now used as class-rooms.

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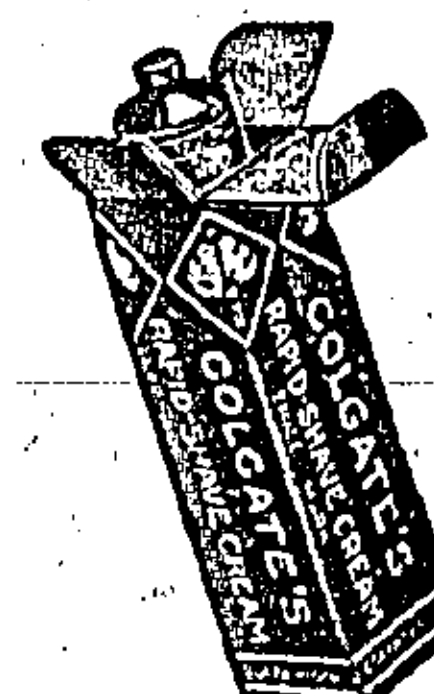
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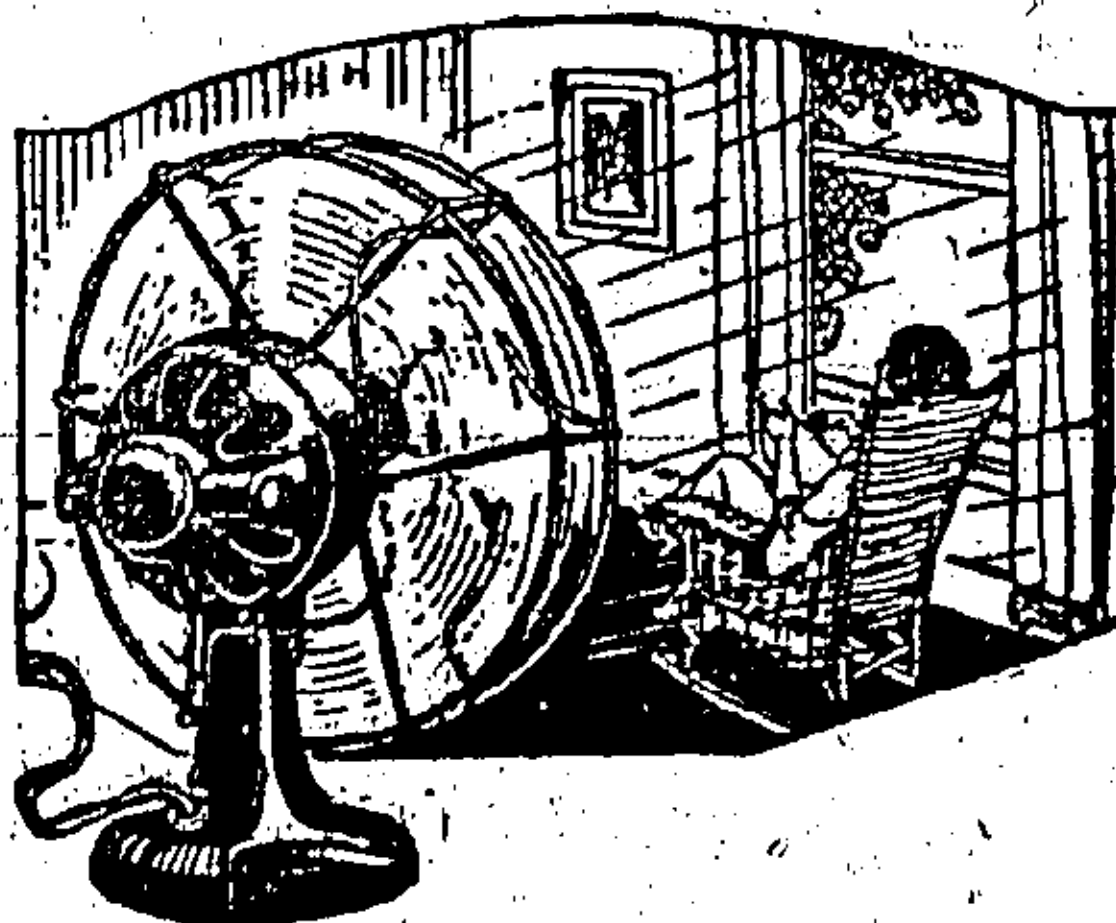
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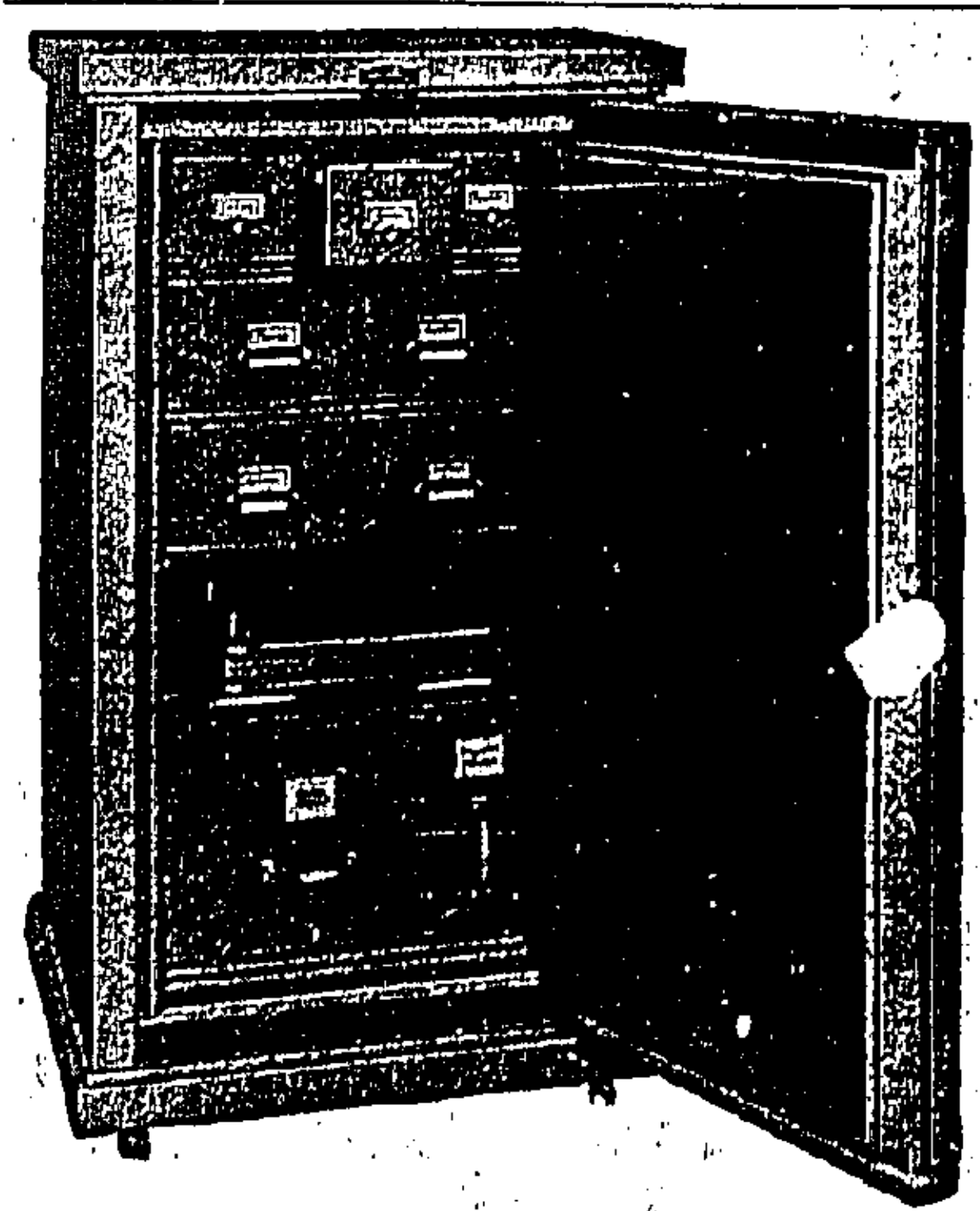
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A GALAXY OF FAMOUS PLAYERS.



A galaxy of famous players who took part in the recent lawn tennis championships at Wimbledon. Left to right:—Mrs. Satterthwaite (Britain), Miss Betty Nuthall (Britain), Fraulein Aussem (Germany), Mlle. Beuman (Holland), Mrs. Lambert Chambers (Britain), Miss Tapscott (S. Africa), Senorita de Alvarez (Spain) with their mascots.

THE WORLD ECONOMIC
CONFERENCE.ITS SIGNIFICANCE
DISCUSSED.Dr. Eduard Rosenbaum, Director
of the Library of Commerce at
Hamburg and Syndicate of the
Chamber of Commerce, Hamburg,
writes in the German press that
to expect any immediate tangible
results from the Conference held
at Geneva at the suggestion of
the League of Nations would be
entirely to misapprehend the true
meaning of such demonstration
and unreflectingly to overlook the
vastly diverse nature of the prob-
lems involved in the general wel-
fare of nations.Regarded from this point of
view, he says, we are hence of
opinion that in its one achieve-
ment alone, best characterized
by the appropriate French ex-
pression, its "documentation," the
Conference managed to secure a
great success. Following up the
guiding principles laid down by
the Preparatory Committee, pre-
liminary studies were initiated in
all the States concerned, to as-
certain their respective economic
conditions. The result obtained
embodies the first attempt to ex-
hibit the actual state of economic
affairs on the basis of a uni-
formity of method embracing al-
most the entire world, the pos-
sibility of comparison thus afford-
ing the indispensable pre-re-
quisite for unanimity of opinion.This documentation so arrived
at, consisting of some 60 memor-
anda, is now available, having
been published by the Secretariat
of the League of Nations, sup-
plemented by numerous mono-
graphs distributed by the various
Delegations. Amongst these last,
the superbly delineated exposition
of "International price fluctua-
tions and the situation of
agriculture in non-tropical coun-
tries" written by Professor M.
Serin, past-master in German
agricultural research, may be
particularly mentioned.With the object of securing the
widest interest in these memor-
anda, the League has issued a
summary as a guide to these re-
ports in the form of a pamphlet
of modest dimensions, with an
excellent introductory article by
Sir Arthur Salter. This not-
withstanding and in order to
deepen general interest in the
matter, it would be desirable that
it should be taken up in each
country by a Head Organization
for Agriculture much in the
same manner as the "Reichs Union
for German Industry" (Reichs-
verband der Deutschen Industrie)
has done in this country, which
has issued an objective extract
of the contents of the monographs,
together with a record of the
present and previous Conferences.

Evolutionary.

As 194 members and 157 experts
attended the Conference on be-
half of 50 different States some
of which are not even members
of the League of Nations yet, we
may designate as a further pur-
pose of the Conference the evolu-
tion of a uniform appreciation of
world economics. In this respect
very important assistance
was afforded the Conference by
the fact that the best men of the
rigidly organized International
Chamber of Commerce placed
themselves at its disposal.We would not for a moment
overestimate the psychological
and practical effects of a conflux
on the part of the leading political
economists to one particular point
on the earth's surface, knowing
full well how readily such ga-
therings actuated by a stern de-
sire towards fraternity tempt us
to estimate the political dynamics
of international collaboration ata higher value than the actual
result justifies. Still, we believe
we may nevertheless credit the
"resolutions" of the International
Economic Conference with a high
degree of germinating power, for
these ground upon the concep-
tion, that the economic life of all
countries must be fundamentally
regarded as a unity, that is, as
international economics, and any
bar to the free passage of indi-
viduals or of merchandise be con-
sidered a political obstruction to
an adequate apportionment of the
world's labour.This, however, involves the
necessity of assimilating the
various forms of commercial law
and thus above all of the con-
tinuation by the League of Na-
tions and the International Cham-
ber of Commerce of the work
already commenced touching con-
formity in the laws relating to
bills, international agreement in
commercial law and the suppres-
sion of unfair methods of trading.
Such aim will also comprise the
endeavour to establish an in-
ternational guarantee for the en-
forcement of commercial arbitra-
tion verdicts, as also for the re-
gulation of the problem of double
duties.

Tariff Problems.

The formal aspect of tariff
questions and of commercial sta-
tistics is discussed in great de-
tail, the resolutions unequivocally
declaring "that the time has come
when an end should be put to the
raising of tariffs—and the very
opposite path be pursued. To
that end the steps proposed are:
"the reduction of autonomous
tariffs, the concluding of commer-
cial treaties accordingly and in-
ternational collective actions for
the purpose of eliminating all
obstructions to trading." It is
further recommended, contrary to
the practice of most protectionist
States, to amplify the most-fav-
oured-nation clause as liberally
as possible, "neither weakening
nor limiting it by any explicit
stipulations nor yet by any
specious interpretation." This re-
commendation is due in particu-
lar to the arguments put forward
by the German Delegates, Ger-
many having recognised in her
actual commercial treaties the
necessity for preferring treaties
on the basis of the most-favoured-
nation clause to any others.Full attention has been paid in
the resolutions to agriculture also,
the high degree of organizing tal-
ent residing in the proposals
given being evident at the outset
from the briefly expressed sociolo-
gical axiom expressed at the very
commencement, which is far re-
moved from the slightest dog-
matic internationalism, that
namely: "The agricultural popu-
lation of a country serves as a
storehouse for the forces re-
quisite to preserve mankind from
the rapid decay of life that would
result from an exaggerated in-
dustrial development. The ex-
tent of agricultural production in
food stuffs and raw materials
forms the standard for the limits
of industrial extension." This
fundamental principle is followed
by a programme, concise yet ex-
cellently worded, regarding the
rationalising of agriculture on the
basis of its own imminent pos-
sibilities.If then we once more inquire:
what is the "significance" of the
Conference, we shall find it to
lie not only in the League of Nations
and of the International Chamber
of Commerce will be energetically
continued and directed to a large
proportion of the problems to be
solved, but no less in the circum-
stance that the "resolutions" dis-
play an international manifesta-
tion backed up by the authorita-
tive approbation of sensible and
resolute men gathered from 50
States of the world. And al-
though no individual country isCREW AS PRISONERS
OF WAR.CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION
REJECTED.Dr. H. Kinstad, arbitrator, and
chairman of the Second Division
of the Anglo-German Mixed Ar-
bitral Tribunal, has issued his
decision in the claims submitted
by the officials and crew of the
s.s. Coburg, of Leith, belonging to
the Leith, Hull, and Hamburg
Steam Packet Co., Ltd., against
the German Government.The claimants averred that the
respondents were responsible
for the illegal detention
of the s.s. Coburg prior to
the outbreak of the war in
August 1914, and placed before
the arbitrator various acts which,
in their opinion, had been com-
mitted by the respondents, and
which materially contributed to
the detention of the crew. On
Tuesday night, August 4, 1914, the
ship was lying at Lagan, and a
German officer came on board with
an armed guard and said that
war was declared against Great
Britain and that the master and
crew must consider themselves
prisoners of war. The claimants
were detained on board some days,
then removed to another place,
and finally interned in Germany.Before War Was Declared.
The claimants contended that
the German officer made their
prisoners some minutes before 10
p.m. on the Tuesday night, about
an hour and a half before war was
declared between Germany and
Great Britain, and that the ar-
rest and detention therefore was
illegal. The respondents resisted
the claim on the ground that no
act was committed against the
claimants by any German au-
thority before the outbreak of
war.The arbitrator has decided that
there is no compensation due
from the respondents to the
claimants, and has made no
award as to costs.With regard to the arrest on
August 4 he said it was not
necessary to decide whether it
took place a short time before
the outbreak of war, as contend-
ed by the claimants, or only after
war was declared. Even assum-
ing that the claimants were ar-
rested an hour and a half before
the war, the arbitrator was not
able to hold that, but for such
arrest, they would have left Ger-
man territory before the war
broke out. It was, on the con-
trary, evident and was in fact
confirmed by the claimants at the
hearing, that if no arrest had
taken place before war was de-
clared, they would have remain-
ed on board until that time.
What happened to the claimants
after the outbreak of war was
outside the jurisdiction of the
arbitrator. In such circum-
stances, the claim could not suc-
ceed.Six charges of fraud, involving
£1,600, were preferred at the Mary-
lebone Police Court against Al-
fred Borys Conrad, a son of the
late novelist, Joseph Conrad.
The accused was remanded on £300
bail.under the obligation for the time
being of conduct, its economic
policy in accordance with the prin-
ciples laid down, the moral force
of the latter is such, that in the
long run no State will be able to
go counter to them.In that way the success of the
Conference will after all gradu-
ally emerge, that is, that the
"resolutions" will form the in-
structive basis for a Code de
Commerce universel.A LINER'S NARROW
ESCAPE.IN COLLISION WITH A
HUGE ICEBERG.

EXCITING SCENES ON BOARD.

During her voyage from Mon-
treil to the Clyde and Liverpool
the Canadian Pacific liner Mont-
calm struck an iceberg in the
Straits of Belle Isle. The vessel
arrived at Greenock later, when
graphic accounts of the experi-
ences of the passengers of whom
there were over 1000, were given.Fogs of varying density were
experienced during the passage
down the St. Lawrence, and when
the Straits were reached an ice-
field, comprising many huge
bergs, was encountered. It was
with the utmost difficulty that the
liner proceeded on her way, and
between 2 and 3 o'clock in the
afternoon of Sunday, July 3rd, a
vast mass of ice suddenly loomed
up out of the thick fog on the
starboard side, towering high
above the funnels of the Mont-
calm.Travelling dead slow at the time
the liner slid on to a submerged
platform of ice, with the result
that she took a heavy list to port.
Almost immediately a crunching
sound was heard, and when even-
tually she got clear it was dis-
covered that while the hull of the
vessel was undamaged a propeller
blade had been broken and the
paint has been scraped off the
bilge keel.

Shrieks of Women and Children.

The majority of the passengers
were on the decks at the time of
the occurrence, and considerable
excitement prevailed when the
order was given for the lifeboats
to be swung out and the crew
posted at their stations. Life-
jackets were also supplied to the
passengers.The shrieks of women and
children were heard, and many
fainted, the attention of the ship's
doctor and staff of nurses being
fully employed for some time
afterwards coping with the de-
mands made upon their services.The examination of the vessel,
which was carried out with all
haste, allayed the fears which
had been entertained, and ex-
citement subsided when assur-
ances were given that there was
no danger.The descriptions given of the
conditions which prevailed and
the extent of the icefield indicate
the arduous task which lay to the
captain's hand, and the passen-
gers all warmly commended his
work. Travelling slow at times,
and often stopping altogether,
the Montcalm lost 44 hours on the
voyage, at one stage being com-
pletely held up for 19 hours.The heavy jolt as the first con-
tact with the ice took place upset
some of the ship's crockery, while
a number of the passengers had
the experience of being thrown
about. One man, who was in
the lounge, said he was thrown
off his chair and knocked up
against the side of the apartment.

Running "Downhill."

Another passenger said that he
was in the music room when he
felt the vessel heeling over, and
there was a jolt as if she had
struck the side of a pier. He
found himself running "downhill,"
and he only stopped when he ran
against the door.For a few dreadful moments,
he added, I thought the vessel
was going to turn right over,
but she quickly got on to a level
keel, and I, with hundreds more,
rushed on to the deck to see what
had happened.A woman travelling to Dundee
said the crunching sound gave
one a horrible feeling. They all
felt some alarm, especially when
the life-boats were swung out,
and the orders were shouted to
the crew.We were so near, she said, I
could have touched the iceberg.
The ship's officers did all they
could to allay our fears, and
though people were excited, there
was no panic.Several vessels were held up
in the fog which prevailed off the
Canadian coast, and the Montcalm
kept in touch with the Leititia, an
Anchor Donaldson liner, as well
as another Transatlantic vessel,
sirens being blown at frequent
intervals.Almost 500 of the passengers
were landed at Greenock en route
for Glasgow, and the Montcalm
afterwards left for the Mersey.The Rev. Robert Evans Bruce,
rector of Letton, Herefordshire,
has announced from the pulpit and
elsewhere that the end of the
world will take place in 1934. At
any moment, he told a Daily
Mail reporter, we shall be caught
up in the air in the twinkling of
an eye and after seven years we
shall return to the Mount of
Olives to find the world in chaos.
We shall then gather in Jeru-
salem. There will be earthquakes
and the sea will overflow into the
River Jordan, but before this
happens the Russians will be
completely beaten.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.



SUZANNE PLAYS IN GLASGOW.

10,000 CROWD TO SEE TENNIS STAR.

MOSTLY WOMEN ATTEND.

A crowd of between 8,000 and 10,000 welcomed Suzanne Lenglen at Hampden last month on her first visit to Scotland. More than half of the spectators were women, making an odd-looking crowd for the famous football ground.

Millie Lenglen was given a great reception, and proceeded to win her match with Mrs. Dewhurst very easily. There was no "fight" in the match, but the spectators got an idea of Lenglen's matchless technique, grace, and accuracy.

All was over in a little over 20 minutes, Suzanne dropping two games in the first set and none in the second. She double faulted twice in the first set, and allowed each of the first six games to go to deuce. After that, from 4-2 there were two love games, and only in the fourth game of the second set was Mrs. Dewhurst ever like getting a game.

More Exciting.

In double, Millie Lenglen and Karel Kozeluh met Mrs. Dewhurst and Howard Kinsey. The rallies here were more exciting till the French girl and her partner won 6-4, 2-6, 6-1. Kinsey beat Kozeluh 6-6, 6-2, 6-2, in the most exciting match of the night, and one in which some high-class tennis was shown.

The Czechoslovakian led 6-4, 4-love, and then 6-4 and 5-2, but Kinsey, giving a great display of cut strokes, levelled at 5-all, the point which saved the set being won after a rally that contained 36 strokes.

The court was erected in the middle of the field, slightly nearer the grand stand, and the spectators had a good view of the play. There were "loud speakers" all round the ground, with a microphone at the umpire's chair.

LOCAL BOXING NEWS.

LITTLE MORO PASSES THROUGH.

When the s.s. Taiyo Maru leaves this evening for the United States, she will have on board a serious contender for the flyweight championship of the world, in the person of Little Moro, of Manila.

Moro, a young Filipino of 20 years of age, is the flyweight champion of the East, his most outstanding victory being the defeat of Billy Tingle (Australian flyweight-champion) on points in a 15 round contest.

Moro's ambition is to meet the redoubtable Fidel La Barba for the world's championship, but before he can meet the champion he will have to eliminate other contenders for the privilege. On his arrival in the States, Moro will be under the management of Frank Churchill, manager of the late Pancho Villa, the defender of Jimmy Wilde. Mr. Churchill is well-known in the Orient having been the former owner of the Manila Stadium.

Seen by a Telegraph representative yesterday afternoon, Moro smilingly said that although La Barba was a wonderful boxer he was capable of extending the champion.

A Challenge. Kid Raymond, Filipino lightweight, is in the Colony and wishes to challenge Ewin for the welterweight championship. Raymond expresses his willingness to put up a side-stake of \$500. Raymond has fully recovered from his last season's illness and describes himself as feeling A-1.

BLACKPOOL GOLF.

AMERICANS ECLIPSED.

Judging by the scores at Blackpool, in the Northern Professional Championship, the American professionals will have to return from Britain without any scalps, both being undistinguished.

Melhorn is bracketed 13th, with Duncan and E. Whitcombe, with 146.

Nabholz has just qualified, with 159. C. Whitcombe leads the field, with 141.

Gadd is the most notable failure. He strained his wrist, and returned a card of 159.—*Router.*

GOING TO SWIM THE CHANNEL.

LONDON CLERK MEANT "TO BEAT THE RECORD."

YOUNG TYPIST'S HOPES.

In view of the recent success, in swimming the Channel, of the London insurance clerk, Mr. E. Temme, the following, from a Home paper of mail week, is of particular interest:

Already six people—three women and three men—are in training for the Channel swim. The six are:—Mrs. Clementine Corson, the American woman who swam across last year; Mrs. Weidman, widow of the late Mr. Jack Weidman, well-known in Channel swimming circles; Miss Millie Hudson, a Hammersmith typist; Frank Perks, the Birmingham swimmer; Edward Temme, a young London insurance clerk; and Harry Luscombe, of Exeter, the Devon champion.

London's hopes are the insurance clerk and girl typist. One day, sometime after July 27, a young insurance clerk, will receive an urgent message from France. He will snatch up a small valise, containing only his bathing costume, and take the first Continental express for Calais. No departmental manager will question him nor will a stern admonishing note await him at the office when he arrives back a few days later. The staff will understand, for "weather favourable for your Channel attempt" will be the gist of the note from Burgess, the famous swimmer.

The insurance clerk, Edward Temme, a 22-year-old London giant of 14 st. 7 lb., stands six feet 2½ inches in his socks. I saw him at his office in Leadenhall Street, to-day, writes a Press Association representative. I'm going to swim the Channel this year, he said, and what's more, I'm going to beat the Frenchman who set up a record by doing it in 11 hours.

Mr. Burgess is not training me, but he is going to wire over from Cape Grizac as soon as a favourable opportunity to make the crossing comes. Then I'll run over there and take off from the French coast.

"I'm Going to Do It."

I know it's no easy matter to swim the Channel particularly in record time, but I'm going to do it. I've trained and trained for two years now, always with the Channel swim in view.

Mr. Temme's home is at West Ham, but he is training at Leigh-on-Sea, under the supervision of Mr. T. C. Storey, secretary of the Cornhill Swimming Club. His practice swims consist of a mere five or six miles, "constitutional" to the Norm.

Mr. Temme has won the Essex long distance swimming championship three times. When his successes came to the notice of the directors of his firm, they invited him to attempt swimming the Channel in order to establish a British time record. He is a real Londoner, having learnt to swim at the Balham Street Baths, West Ham, when only twelve years of age. If he is unsuccessful on the first attempt, he is to try again.

I am strictly an amateur, he added, and although my firm have very kindly given me every facility to conquer the Channel, I must still put in my day's work here and train only in my spare time.

Girl Typist Training.

Another Londoner who hopes to attempt the Channel swim this year is Miss Millie Hudson, the pretty London typist, who has given up her work in order to train for the great event.

Miss Hudson, who is 24, lives at Hammersmith. She is a member of the Hammersmith Ladies' Swimming Club, was a member of the 1924 Olympic team, and has already gained a reputation as a champion diver.

I really believe I have a sporting chance, she declared when interviewed. I left the office a month ago to start training in earnest, and my employer has kindly promised to keep the job open for me. Of course, they are all very enthusiastic at the office, and hope I shall be successful. I hope so too. It would be wonderful to be the first Englishwoman to swim the Channel. I am tired of seeing Americans come over here to break records and I'm sure its time we English woke up.

THE FAR EASTERN OLYMPIAD.

SELECTION OF THE LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES.

SAILING ON THE 15TH.

On Wednesday night, officials of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation of Hongkong met at the headquarters of the South China Athletic Association, in China Building, to consider the final selection of the athletes who are to represent China in the forthcoming Far East Olympic Sports. Most of the athletic talent appears to have been concentrated in Hongkong, for the teams selected to represent China in football, baseball, swimming and a number of field and track events will comprise local men, and they may be regarded as covering pretty well the whole range of sports at the Olympiad.

It is explained that while the Federation represents a consolidation of all Chinese athletic associations in Hongkong, it also acts as the governing body in Chinese athletic affairs, especially in the selection and preparation of the candidates for the Olympic games. It has also been instrumental in almost securing, up to date, the sum of \$4,000 required for expenses, by means of canvassing from merchants and friends.

Present Plans.

The Hongkong contingent is planning, provisionally, to leave for Shanghai on the 15th instant, which will enable them to spend a few days, before the Games open on the 27th, in training and getting used to the tracks.

The football team has been playing a number of Regimental teams these past few weeks, and should be well up to the scratch.

Fifteen players have been chosen for the baseball contingent, and amongst these will be several who have been playing in League matches in the "Dragon" team, and also a number of the Honolulu visitors.

Of the ten members of the swimming party, two are from among the Honolulu visitors.

Two men from the Chinese Athletic Association left here three weeks ago, for the national trials in connexion with the field and track events, and word has been received that they have already been placed in the representative national team.

Following are the teams from Hongkong which will participate:

Football.

Messrs. Pau Ka Ping; Lau Mow, Lo Wai Man; Ho Cho Yin, Lem Yuk Ying, Ng Po Lau; Lee Bing Tong, Suen Kam Shun, Wong Pak Chong, Choy Ping Fan, and Ng Kam Chuen.

The above players are all of the Chinese Athletic Association. Reserves: Chan Woon Yin (C.A.A.), Cheung Kam Chuen (C.A.A.), Chang Shiu Hong (C.A.A.), Fung Man Kit (S.C.A.A.), Lau Hing Cheung (S.C.A.A.).

Swimming.

Leung Siu Man, Lo Man Hin, Wong Bing Fan, Wan Kwong Ting, Lo Chi Hing, Ho Pak Hing, Ton Chin Hin, and three others including two from the Honolulu visitors. The outstanding times made in the trials are: Ton Chin Hin—26 seconds in the 50 yards, and Leung Siu Man, 27 seconds.

Two delegates from Singapore while en route to Shanghai appeared at the trials. Their time are 25-1/5 seconds for the 50 yards and 54 seconds for the 100 yards.

Track & Field.

Ng Tak Wing and Eric Wong Tape, both of the C.A.A., were placed in the national trials in Shanghai and will be included in the National Representative team. Four footballers who were with the Chinese soccer team now at Australia are returning. It is hoped they will reach here in time to be able to participate. They are members of the C.A.A.

Miss Hudson has been training strenuously for the last month under the guidance of Mr. Rob Derbyshire, secretary of the Penguin Swimming Club. She is well-known at the Shepherd's Bush open air swimming baths, where the attendants do everything they can to help in her training and very often she goes to Ken Wood for practice.

Besides my daily swim I walk a great deal. It helps to keep me fit. Miss Hudson said she will adopt the American "crawl" stroke instead of the usual breast stroke. She has a brother and sister who are also excellent swimmers. Her sister, who is an exhibition dancer, is, hoping to accompany Miss Hudson part of the way on her Channel trip.

BABY BOY IN RABBIT HOLE.

DRAMATIC DISCOVERY IN A WOOD.

Inquires at Ticehurst (Sussex) Workhouse elicited that the condition of a baby boy who was discovered in a rabbit hole by picnickers, is still critical. There is still hope, however, that he will recover, says a Home paper of mail week.

The discovery was made in a small wood at Haremore Hill, situated between the villages of Etchingham and Hurst Green, by a motor cyclist named Parker, and his wife, who pulled up on the hill, and going into the wood for tea, were horrified to hear the stifled cry of a baby.

Proceeding a few yards further into the wood, Mr. Parker saw a baby's foot sticking out of a hole at a rabbit burrow. Mr. Parker hastily moved some earth, which had apparently been put over the hole, and extricated the baby, which was in a choking condition, with its mouth, eyes, and nostrils full of dirt.

The baby was rushed to the Ticehurst Infirmary, some four miles distant, where the doctor discovered an injury on its forehead, undoubtedly caused by the head being pushed into the hole.

The local police have been informed, that a large motor car, containing one or two women and two men was seen standing on the hill about the time. This car went on again a few minutes before Mr. Parker found the baby and the police are endeavouring to trace it. There is no clue as to the parents of the baby, which is well nourished, for its clothing is devoid of any letters or markings, and no report has been made in the district of a baby's disappearance.

The police, though baffled are relentlessly pursuing their inquiries.

Houses should be so designed that poor families could take in lodgers; and where landlords do not object to children there should be some deduction from the rates in respect of houses let to families—these are suggestions in the Public Health section of the annual report of the London County Council.

BASE BALL: HONOLULU CHINESE SERIES.

PATRONS: HONGKONG BASEBALL ASSOCIATION.

SATURDAY, August 6th, 2.30 & 4.00 p.m.

1. Hongkong Baseball Club v. South China "Tigers."

2. All-Around Chinese of Honolulu v. Japanese Baseball.

SUNDAY, August 7th, 2.30 & 4.00 p.m.

1. "South China" "Dragons" v. Filipinos.

2. All-Around Chinese v. U.S. Navy Baseball Team.

Admission: Holders of Membership Cards of Hongkong Baseball Association, 50 cents; Ladies, on South China A.A. Complimentary Tickets Only; Others, \$1.00 and 50 cents.

Management: South China Athletic Association.

A few Special Seats may be reserved at the Subscribers' Section for two dollars each game.

WEDNESDAY, August 10th, 4.30 p.m.

All-Around Chinese of Honolulu v. South China "Dragons."

SATURDAY, August 13th, 2.30 & 4.00 p.m.

1. South China "Tigers" v. Club de Reccreo.

2. All-Around Chinese of Honolulu v. Far East (Chinese-Filipino-Japanese).

SUNDAY, August 14th, 2.30 & 4.00 p.m.

1. Hongkong Baseball Club v. South China "Dragons."

2. All-Around Chinese of Honolulu v. All Hongkong.

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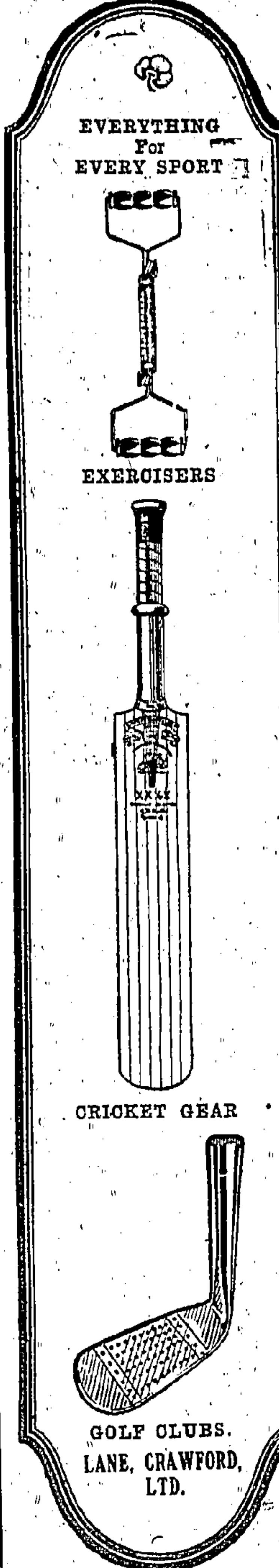
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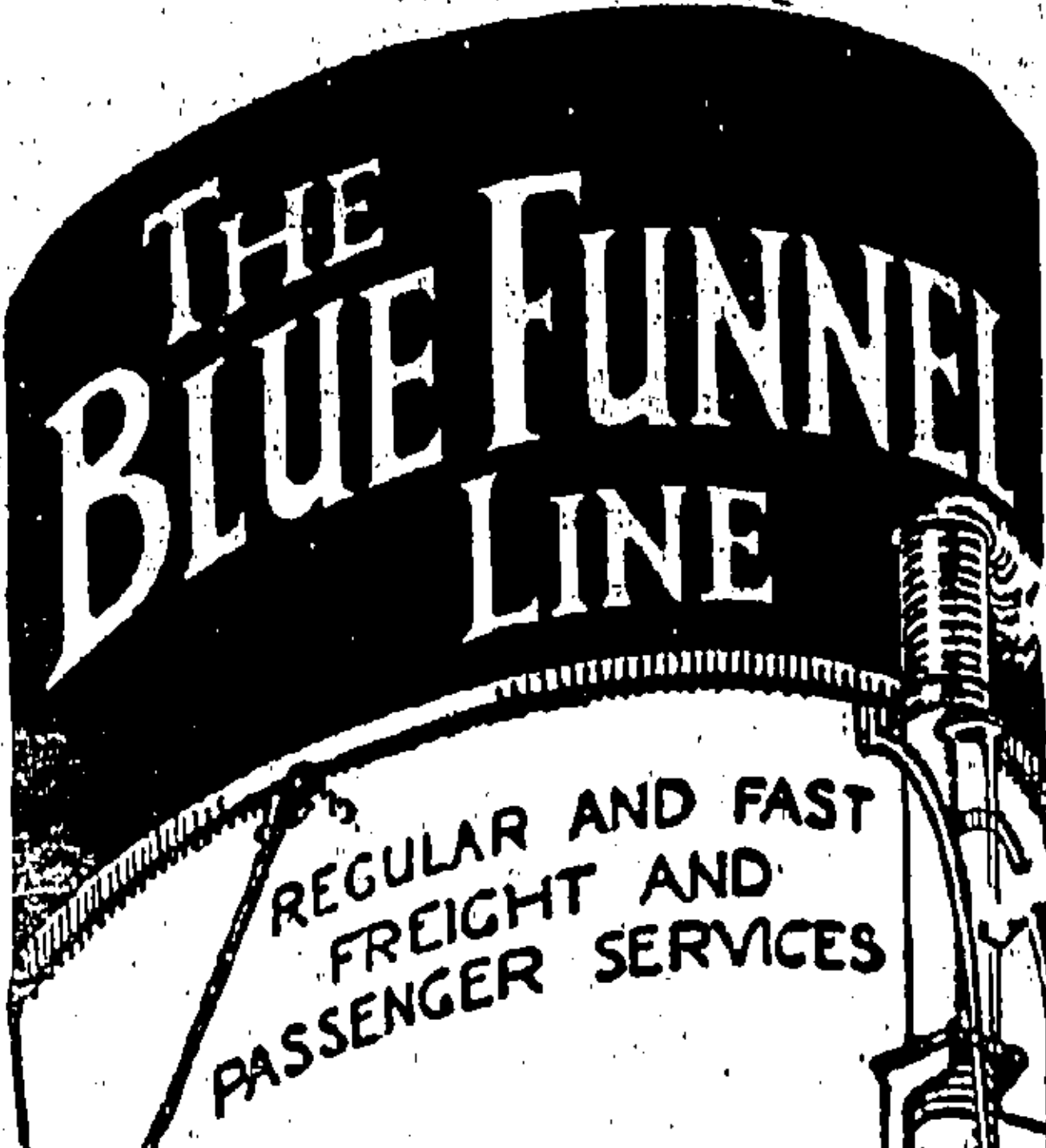
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FATAL EXPLOSION.

VULCANISER BURSTS IN DENTIST'S OFFICE.

Passing away in the Government Civil Hospital on July 9 as a result of injuries which he received on June 26 at the office of his uncle at 159 Queen's Road Central, Kwong Tak, was the subject of a death inquiry which was opened by Mr. R. E. Lindsell on Saturday last and concluded yesterday.

The deceased was fourteen years of age and was sitting in the verandah of his uncle's office when the explosion of a vulcaniser near him caused him severe injuries which necessitated his immediate removal to the Government Civil Hospital. Two other people were injured by the same explosion.

The first witness called by the Coroner yesterday was Dr. Kwong Tai-yun, the uncle of the deceased. Witness stated he was a dentist and that the vulcaniser had been in use since 1921. It had never given trouble and witness denied that the handle had been broken away by a previous fall.

The Coroner examined him closely regarding the handle and witness firmly denied that the handle had been in any way broken. He added that when he picked up the fragments he noticed the handle lying around, but did not think it would serve any purpose at the inquest. The Coroner addressing the witness on this point said: "You have to understand in future that any possible fragment which might throw any light on the fatality must be taken up and handed to the police."

A Little Mixed.

The witness continuing said that the pressure he had to apply was 300 pounds for an hour and a quarter before the vulcaniser could give satisfactory results. Later in the inquest it was discovered that the witness meant the temperature required was 300 degrees Fahrenheit.

Mr. William Russell, Government Marine Surveyor, gave expert evidence on the vulcaniser. He first pointed out that the utmost pressure the vulcaniser could bear was about 80 to 100 pounds to the square inch. Witness stated that to obtain a pressure of 300 pounds it was necessary to heat the vulcaniser to 432 degrees.

Asked whether he could state how the explosion took place the witness stated that if heat of 300 degrees was applied for an hour and a quarter, the vulcaniser should be able to stand it. He therefore attributed the cause of the explosion to defects. Witness stated that an examination of the bottom of the tank showed that there was a small crack near the bottom which was not discernable from the exterior. It was through this defect that the explosion took place and witness added that in his opinion the crack would be difficult to discover and that he could not lay any blame on anyone for not discovering it. The crack was probably due to the heating and cooling of the vulcaniser resulting in a sort of "concertina" action of the walls of the tank.

Accident.

After taking the evidence of a woman who was also injured by the explosion, Mr. Lindsell addressed the jury in these words: "I think that the evidence of the Senior Marine Surveyor has made

COMPANY REPORT.

HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST CO., LTD.

The report of the Board of Directors for presentation to shareholders at the fourth ordinary yearly meeting of the Hongkong Realty and Trust Company, Ltd., to be held at Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 27th August, states:

The profit on Working Account for the year amounted to \$229,852.47. The balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account after deducting the debit balance of \$32,269.83 brought forward from last year and setting aside \$25,770.74 for depreciation, amounts to \$108,777.84 which your Directors recommend be apportioned as follows:

Transfer to General Reserve	\$100,000.00
Carry forward to a New Account	8,777.84
	\$108,777.84

The above proposed allocation has been incorporated in the Accounts. On 30th April, 1927, the sum of \$51,218.50 was retired from the Mortgage indebtedness of the Company.

Exchange Building.

The above building was completed and partially occupied in the latter part of August, 1926, and fully occupied for six months of the period under review.

R. B. Lot 200-Repulse Bay.

Five of the six bungalows erected on a portion of the Company's Land at Repulse Bay are occupied and the remaining bungalow is likely to be occupied shortly.

Directorate.

Mr. J. H. Taggart having returned to the Colony, rejoined the Board on 15th December, 1926, under the powers contained in Articles Nos. 111 and 113 of the Articles of Association of the Company.

Conforming with the terms of Article No. 103, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow and Mr. E. M. Raymond retire by rotation, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.

The Accounts for the year under review have been audited by Messrs. Linstead and Davis who are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.

BRITISH TRADE.

BOARD OF TRADE FIGURES FOR JULY.

London, Aug. 11.
 The Board of Trade returns for July show that the imports amounted to £93,000,000 and the exports to £56,000,000.—Reuter.

It is quite clear that this fatality was unforeseen and therefore unpreventable if you agree with that view, I imagine you will return a verdict of death by misadventure.

The foreman of the jury: "We agree to the evidence of Mr. Russell and we do not desire to add any comment in the matter."

Mr. Lindsell: "Undoubtedly this inquest should have been held earlier. You were informed by the Medical Officer, how it was that no report was made to the Coroner. I think you can take it that such an occurrence will not happen again. Steps have been taken which will enable the Coroner to be informed immediately when such a thing happens again." (The Coroner was referring to a clerical error at the Hospital which delayed the inquiry for some time).

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In a paper given recently by the chief Naval Architect of William Beardmore & Co., Ltd., the shipbuilders of Glasgow, it is revealed that there was a design of aircraft carrier submitted to the British Government before the Great War, but though viewed with favour by the Admiralty it was rejected on the score of economy.

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Many of the features of this vessel were afterwards embodied in an Italian liner which had been started by the Beardmore Company at the outbreak of the war, but which was modified and finished as H. M. S. "Argus," the first seaplane carrier in the Navy.

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PING PONG LEAGUE.

TWELVE ORGANISATIONS ENTER TOURNAMENT.

The Hon. General Secretary of South China Athletic Association, concurrently acting Hon. Secretary of the newly formed Hongkong Ping Pong League, announces that up to August 10th, altogether 12 organisations have joined the league which will have a tournament beginning on the 17th. The following clubs have entered teams: Chinese Recreation Club, Chinese Y.M.C.A., Chinese Athletic Association, Old Boys Club of Wah Yan College, Chinese Catholics Young Men's Club, the Shen Ying Shai, St. Peter's Young Men's Club, the Hongkong University, the Tutorial Institute, the St. Louis Club, and the Club de Recreo.

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FIRE FOLLOWS TWO EXPLOSIONS.

Sacramento, Cal., Aug. 11.
 A fire following two explosions destroyed the State Theatre. The explosions are not explained. The theatre was valued at \$340,000.—Reuter's American Service.

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Sept. 13	San Francisco	Majestic	Oct. 15	C'brg-S'hmptn Oct. 21
Sept. 21	Seattle	Leviathan	Oct. 22	C'brg-S'hmptn Oct. 28
Sept. 27	San Francisco	Olympic	Oct. 28	C'brg-S'hmptn Nov. 4
Oct. 5	Seattle	Berongaria	Nov. 2	C'brg-S'hmptn Nov. 8
Oct. 11	San Francisco	Leviathan	Nov. 12	C'brg-S'hmptn Nov. 18
Oct. 19	Seattle	Aquillaria	Nov. 16	C'brg-S'hmptn Nov. 22
Oct. 25	San Francisco	Majestic	Nov. 26	C'brg-S'hmptn Dec. 2
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PRESIDENT WILSON... Tuesday, Oct. 11th, 6.00 a.m.

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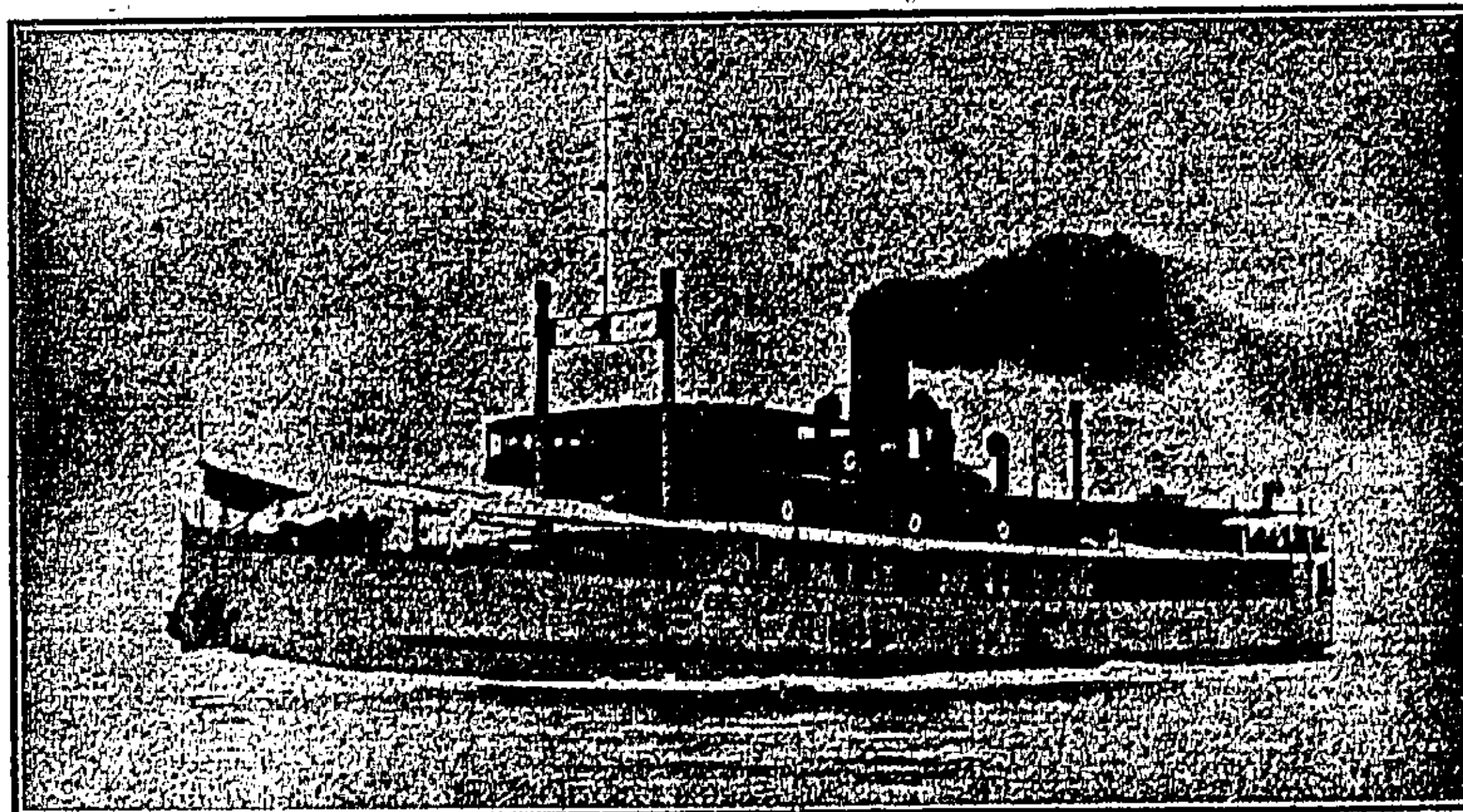
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KHYBER	9,114	1st Oct.	M's, L'don, A'werp & Hull
MALWA	10,986	15th Oct.	Marseilles & London
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CRICKET CLUB'S DILEMMA.**KOWLOON GROUND WANTED FOR NEW TROOPS.**

The announcement that the Kowloon Cricket Club ground would, in all probability, be required as a recreation ground for the troops in the near future, due to an increase in the garrison of Hongkong, was made by the President of the K.C.C. (Mr. R. E. Lindell) at an extraordinary general meeting of the members held last evening.

The meeting was called to discuss the present tenure of the Club house and ground and the proposed extension to the existing Club house. There was a large attendance, over which Mr. Lindell presided. He was supported by the Vice President (Mr. Ezra Abraham), Mr. J. P. Robinson (Hon. Secretary) and Mr. F. G. Herdridge (Hon. Treasurer).

The President explained the position fully. He reminded those present that the ground was part of King's Park, one of the Government recreation areas, and was allotted to them by the Government yearly on a ten-year lease which was terminable by notice of renewal in the following year. Five years ago when a settlement of the military lands question seemed in sight—a settlement which would have involved the handing over of the ground to the military—a new site in the North part of King's Park was definitely allotted to them, and by the end of 1925 that site was ready for occupation.

The military lands question, however, was shelved, and they were not required to move. Having quoted some remarks made by the Colonial Secretary at a meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council on October 25 of that year, Mr. Lindell said that it was perhaps unfortunate, in view of what had happened since, that they did not in 1925-6 determine to claim their new site. The feeling of the members generally was against it, as shown by the motion carried at the last annual general meeting that "we stay where we are." No doubt it was felt that having had their tenure renewed yearly for over 20 years, they might well hope for another ten years at least of uninterrupted possession.

Garrison Recreation Ground. That prospect, however, had now been discarded by the chaos in China and the sending out here of a large Defence Force. He thought they could take it for granted that the Hongkong garrison would include more than two infantry battalions and that there was every chance of Gun Club hill being occupied by white troops in the near future, in which event the K.C.C. ground would almost certainly be taken away and allotted to the military as a garrison recreation ground.

In May last, the Government were asked whether they would grant a five years' tenure of the ground on the same conditions as the Club do. Referred to their site at King's Park, and the reply they received was that the alteration of tenure could be considered at that time. Mr. Lindell mentioned that he had discovered only two hours ago that part of the site originally prepared for them at King's Park had already been allotted to other clubs, and that the last bit of ground for a cricket ground, was allotted last year to the Navy. The Navy had been given to understand since that approval would be given for them to put up a suitable pavilion there and that as far as the Government could force them they would be

allowed uninterrupted possession. The ground was already being fenced by the Navy, but they had only got it at present allotted to them until the end of this year. The next meeting of the Allotment Committee would be held next month, so that if they wished to do anything with the view to getting that part of their original site, they would have to move at once to put their case before the Allotment Committee.

The main question, however, was whether they should continue hanging on there, so to speak, by their nails, with the imminent danger of falling off at any moment and finding themselves stranded, or whether they should approach the Government with the intention of obtaining their original site at King's Park or some other site of equal merit and moving there as soon as possible.

Discussing the subsidiary question of the proposed extension to the present pavilion, Mr. Lindell said the cost of making provision for a billiard room and a reading room would be \$5,000. A more ambitious scheme, costing \$15,000, had been considered, but after repeated discussions and an adverse report from the House Committee, it had been dropped in favour of the extension shown on the plans posted on the notice board in January. On February 14, the plans were submitted to the Building Authority. Although their architect called several times at the Public Works Department during the next few weeks, he could get no definite answer. In May, he (Mr. Lindell) took the matter in hand, and was then told that before the plans could be considered Government sanction must be obtained.

Mr. Lindell proceeded to read a letter from the Government in which it was stated that there was no objection to the erection of a semi-permanent extension subject to the following conditions: (a) That the plans be duly passed by the Building Authority; (b) that it was clearly understood that the Government gave no guarantee whatever that the extension would be continued; and (c) that the Club proceeded at its risk and that no payment of compensation would be made.

Mr. Lindell added that the necessary alterations were made to the plans, which were finally approved. By this time, however, many of the Committee began to doubt, especially in view of the insecurity of tenure, the wisdom of spending any money at all on the building. The Committee did not feel justified in going on and that meeting had been convened in order that the whole situation might be reviewed.

The first and main point to decide, the President concluded, was whether they should remain there until they received notice to quit or whether they should approach the Government with the view to getting a new site and moving there as soon as possible. If they decided it was better to attempt to move, that would dispose of the subsidiary question of the extension to the present pavilion. Personally, he thought that if they could get a five years' tenure of, at any rate, the major part of the original site allotted them, they should move and erect a Club house more worthy of the Club. The longer they put off what some of them regarded as the evil day, the more evil would that day be when it eventually came.

Members' Views. Mr. L. J. Blackburn expressed appreciation to the President for his full explanation of the situation. He mentioned that their present ground was first granted to them on condition that they had 50 members and that it was conducted in a proper manner. If that was so, then he thought it should carry some weight in regard to the allotment of land on the other side of Gascoigne Road. Personally, he was not in

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favour of making any extension to the present building. He proposed that the Committee be instructed to approach the Government as early as possible with the view to securing the site originally allotted the K.C.C. at King's Park.

During the course of the ensuing discussion, Mr. Lindell said that when further British troops arrived, the K.C.C. would almost certainly be required as a garrison recreation ground. That would probably be next year.

Mr. L. Jack thought it a "great shame" that a Club with a membership of between 400 and 500 should be placed in such a position. He said there was plenty of ground alongside the railway which could be used for a garrison recreation ground.

Replying to Mr. J. Hyde, the President said that at one time the Club did hold the ground on a semi-permanent tenure, but on September 4, 1923 they received a letter saying that the payment of \$1 a year would no longer be accepted by the Government because they were considered part of the Government recreation ground scheme.

Mr. A. R. F. Raven urged that the Club should strongly protest at the way in which the Government had treated them. (hear hear)

The Decision. Mr. J. Smith suggested that the Government should be approached with the view to the K.C.C. being granted a five years' tenure of their present site, and in the event of a refusal that they should ask for a five years' tenure of the ground originally allotted to them at King's Park. He pointed out that the K.C.C. occupied a position on a somewhat similar scale to that of the Hongkong Cricket Club in Hongkong. There were five hundred members, and the ground occupied no more important position on the Peninsula than the Hongkong C.C. did in Hongkong. He proposed an amendment on the lines he had suggested.

Mr. E. Kern seconded. After some further discussion, the amendment—that the Government be asked to grant a five years' tenure of the present Club House and ground and failing that a five years' tenure of the original site at King's Park—was adopted.

On the motion of the President, seconded by Mr. A. W. E. Davidson, it was decided that, pending negotiations, the extension to the new Club house be abandoned.

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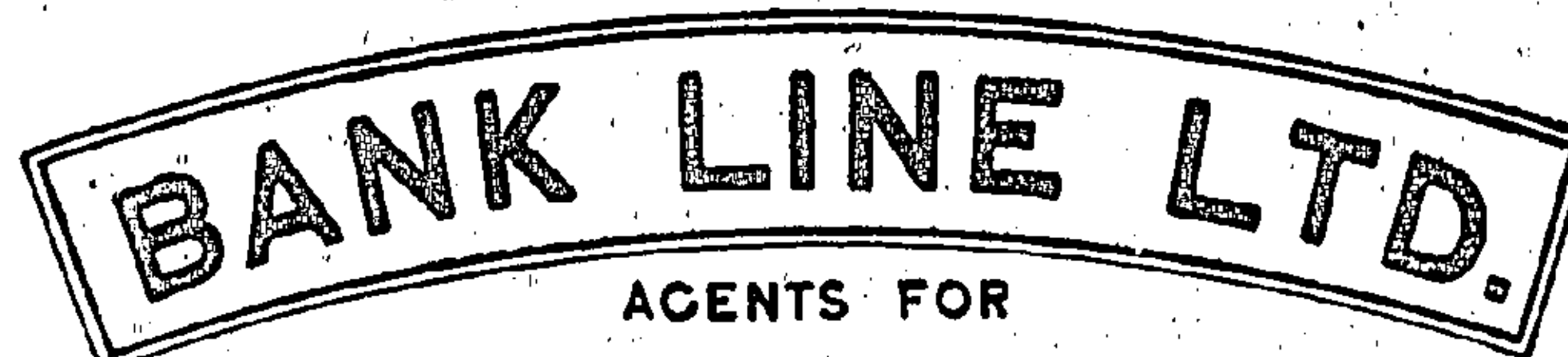
Rain fell continuously at Bisley last month and conditions were so unpleasant that many competitors retired in disgust.

The phenomenal scoring in the first stage of the King's prize, when 77 men scored 100 points and upwards, has again raised the question of the size of the bulls-eye and suggestions are being made that a further reduction in

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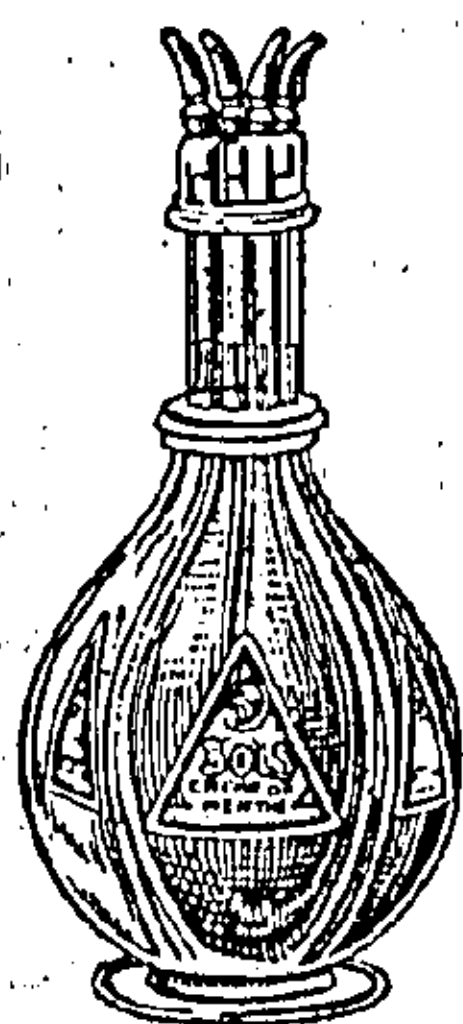
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ON TICKET-OF-LEAVE.

AGAIN ARRESTED FOR
THEFT.

When a Chinese was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with the theft of two crates of chickens from different cottages at Aberdeen, the police asked for the man's committal to the Criminal Sessions, in view of his bad record.

It was shown that after a lengthy career of crime he was last sentenced to three years' hard labour at the Supreme Court. That term had not been fully served, and it was while the man was out on ticket-of-leave that he was alleged to have stolen the chicken.

Evidence in this connexion was given by a farmer of Aberdeen. He stated that at three o'clock in the morning he was roused by a dog barking, and on going outside, he saw the silhouette of a man slinking down the roadway with a crate of chickens in each hand.

The ensuing chase took the man to the seawall at Aberdeen, over which he jumped, after dropping the crates. Then a constable arrived, and with a revolver drawn, ordered the man to clamber ashore.

The defendant denied the charge attributing this to an old grudge which the complainant had against him. If he had wanted to steal, he would assuredly have stolen something more valuable than a crate of chickens.

Mr. Lindsell: Why not? If the dog had not barked you would have got away with it.

While giving his evidence, the complainant became excited, and was chided by his Worship: "Don't get excited, old man, we have got your chickens here."

Inspector Goble, in an application for the defendant's committal, reviewed the man's record, and stated with regard to the fact that the man was on parole on ticket-of-leave, that another charge would be preferred, of "breach of conditions of his conduct-licence."

The case was adjourned until this afternoon.

CHINESE SPIRIT
BELIEF.

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stage that this woman was killed? There is conjecture, of course. There is suspicion. Suspicion might be rampant in a case of this kind, but there is no proof of it and therefore there is no evidence to go to the jury.

There is nothing here to conjecture by reason of the fact that no witness has been able to say "in my opinion her death was in fact caused by violence."

"Strangulation has been suggested by the Crown but no one could say death was caused by that. I will not say, is the attitude of the witnesses, that in fact the woman lost her life by violence."

"In that position, I put it to you that it would be perilous to allow the case to go to the jury on evidence in which there is not one expression of opinion that she lost her life by killing. It is nothing against me that anyone should say that the woman, having been in the soil for six weeks, there is no criteria by which an opinion can be given."

A "Total Failure."

"On the evidence that the Crown can place before this court, there is an absolute and total failure, even with all the science at their beck and call, to give any evidence that death in this case was caused by killing."

"For these reasons I submit that there is no case to go before this or any other tribunal."

His Lordship did not call upon Mr. Fitzroy to reply, and intimated to Mr. Jenkin that he did not intend to detail to the jury what evidence he considered to be present.

The defence, therefore, is called upon, and it is expected that the case for the prisoner will be completed by the end of this afternoon's hearing.

Mr. Jenkin intimated that his only evidence would be that of the prisoner.

NEW CORPS OF
CAVALRY.

RE-GROUPING AT HOME.

London, Aug. 11. Army Orders contain a Royal Warrant under which the regular Militia corps of Dragoons, Lancers and Hussars, are henceforth constituted a single corps, designated the "Cavalry of the Line."

At the same time, various auxiliary cavalry forces will be apportioned to three Territorial corps, and be designated Dragoons, Lancers and Hussars (Territorial Army).—*Reuter*.

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POLICEMAN AND A
WOMAN.

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was alleged to have used threats to the constable was the defendant's daughter. She had followed an arrested woman to the police station to see what would happen to her, and when the constable saw the defendant's daughter outside the police station he promptly seized her and charged her with obstruction.

After the two women had been taken into custody both charged with obstruction by selling rice at Second Street the constable went on his duty. Mr. McCullum said that, unknown to witness, the women were released.

The constable, however, said that the women were discharged from the police station in his presence.

Mr. McCullum: They went back to Second Street?—I don't know. When you went to Second Street, they were both at home?—I cannot say.

Mr. Lindsell: Did you not see them?—I saw them both in the middle of the street during the assault.

Mr. McCullum contended that the quarrel began when one of the women, not the defendant, told the constable that if he was seeking promotion he should arrest the thieves and robbers in the Colony, and not persecute poor women.

The case was adjourned.

HAS AN ACCIDENT.



Mr. Wm. Cosgrave, President of the Dail, who may have to resign owing to Mr. De Valera's followers entering the Irish Free State parliament, has been slightly hurt in a motor accident.

C. N. C. COLLAPSE.

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one explaining why the recent negotiations were broken off. Its purport has been conveyed during the last few days in reports published in this journal.

Shanghai Statement.

Shanghai, Aug. 11. In connexion with the breakdown of the conference between the C.N.C. officers and Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, the China Coast Officers' and Marine Engineers' Guilds have issued a statement that the recent conferences of the China Navigation Company officials and the Guilds' representatives, discussed the 1916 agreement, the 10 per cent. reduction of salaries, and the re-instatement of all the strikers.

Eventually it was agreed that a new agreement should be drawn up, but the company declined to agree to the principle of neutral arbitration.

The Guilds agreed in principle to a conciliation board, but the Company nullified the desire to reach an agreement by maintaining their original attitude in the matter of the 10 per cent. reduction in salaries, and declaring their intention of penalising certain masters and chief engineers.—*Reuter*.

At a meeting of the Staines Rural Council attention was called to the fact that Mr. Lias, one of the members, had been married. It was thereupon moved that the Council send Mr. Lias a message of congratulation and good wishes. The Clerk said he had received a message that Mr. Lias would be away on holiday for three weeks. Mr. Lias is an old resident of Yokohama, where he was a well-known personality.

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM
"TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended August 11th, 1906.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2/ 1 7/15.

Canton celebrated the anniversary of the death of Fung Ha-wai, the 'boycott' hero, thousands of people participating.

Tenders were invited for the erection of a mortuary in Kowloon.

Sir Henry S. Berkeley, Attorney General, was appointed one of His Majesty's Counsel for Hongkong.

Inspector Dymond was transferred from Mount Gough Police Station to Aberdeen Station in place of Inspector MacHardy who was placed in charge of the Station on the Peak.

The British steam launch Wing Fat was pirated at Vuchow. One man was killed and three others wounded.

The new Masonic Hall was opened at Shameen.

The following quotations prevailed at the close of the week:

Hongkong Banks	\$850
Canton Insurance	335
Union Insurance	800
Hongkong Fire	320
Steamboats	27 3/4
Douglases	47
Indo-Chinas	70
China Sugars	160
Kowloon Docks	153
Hongkong Lands	150
Cements	22 1/2
Providents	9
China Lights	10
Hongkong Hotels	125

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.	
Hongkong Bank, \$1055	b.
Chartered Bank, £20	n.
Merantile A. & B., £32	n.
Merantile C., £13 1/2	n.
P. and O., £9 1/2	b.
East Asia, £68	n.
Marine Ins.	
Canton Ins., \$590	s.
China Underwriters, \$50	s.
North China, Tls. 143	n.
Union Ins., \$282	b.
Yangtze Ins., \$35	n.
Fire Ins.	
China Fire, \$210	b.
H. K. Fire Ins., 600	s.
Shipping.	
Douglases, \$32	n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$22	s.
H. K. Tugs, \$60	s.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) \$30	n.
Shell Trans., 92/-	n.
Star Ferries, \$54	b.
Waterboats, \$16 90	n.
Refineries.	
China Sugars, \$15	s.
Malabars, \$32	s.
Mining.	
Benguets, \$170	b.
Kailans, 45/-	b.
Langkats, Tls. 19	n.
S'hai Exploration, Tls. 31	n.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 61	n.
Ruhs, \$4	n.
Tromohs, 19/3	n.
Ural Caspians, 5/-	n.
Docks, etc.	
Kowloon Wharves, \$112	b.
Whampoa Docks, \$35	s.
Hongkows, Tls. 136 1/2	n.
New Engineerings, Tls. 420	b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 91	n.
Lands, Hotels, etc.	
H. and S. Hotels, 61	s.
H. K. Lands, \$53 1/2	b.
Realtys, \$5	s.
Territorials, \$11	s.
Humphreys, \$12 1/2	n.
Princes Bldgs, \$89	n.
Rural Lands, \$14	n.
Cottons.	
Ewo Cottons, Tls. \$7 15	b.
Oriental, Tls. \$180	b.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. \$51	n.
Buses, Trams.	
China Buses, Tls. 7	n.
Tramways, \$20 90	b.
Peak Trams, (old) \$14	s.
Singapore Trams, 11/-	s.
Taxis, \$1	n.
Miscellaneous.	
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Canton Lees, \$5	n.
Cements (Comb.), \$7	s.
China Lights, \$131	s.
China Prov., \$4	n.
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Presumably, marriage would become literally a lottery, and no male would have the chance of drawing a blank.